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Please get your eyes up off that gift list — for just three minutes—before it's too late. Pull yourself out of the "gotta do this for Christmas" rut and just glide away, won't you kindly, back to the first Christmas you can remember . . .

*Remember your first gift?*

*Remember your first tree*, the overwhelming sight and smell of its green, glowing, concentrated magnificence?

*Remember the way you felt?* The Christmas songs you sang in First Grade the day school closed? The mystery of how he could fill your stocking and everyone else's in town? And that delicious, fearful suspense before you stole down the stairs at dawn, wondering, hoping . . .

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Henry was far from an "ordinary man." He had more careers after age 65 than most men have before that retirement age. He was responsible for the now defunct Bucks County Traveler, which, when it was published, took Bucks County to the world. He organized "Old Timers Day" in Quakertown, now a Bucks County institution.

Henry Freking was responsible for much happiness and pleasure for all of us, young and old alike. His boundless vigor and drive was an inspiration to all. He will be greatly missed.

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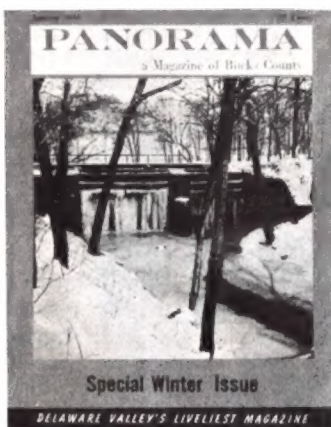
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# brugger's bucks

by Bob Brugger

It was always my dream to someday own a house with a stream, a view, a fireplace and a bookshelf within reach of the bathtub. I am not quibbling about the house I finally got. It doesn't have a view. It doesn't have a stream. It doesn't have a fireplace. **BUT YOU CAN BET YOUR LIFE IT HAS A BOOKCASE WITHIN REACH OF THE BATHTUB.** It's the bookshelf I want to tell you about.

It's an old house and the bathroom went as old bathrooms go: sideways; some past owner's grudging concession to indoor plumbing. It was a dark, little cubicle where even the ancient tub had to buckle at the knees to find room. Any thought of a bookshelf seemed out until one day I accidentally slipped on a bar of soap and rammed my head through the plastered wall which turned out to be re-inforced cardboard, the wall, not my head. This led, among other things, to the spare bedroom and obviously we couldn't have a hole right there in the middle of the wall. We called in a carpenter. He was about to patch up the cardboard with still more cardboard when I suddenly realized the possibilities of my life-long desire: a bookshelf! "Let's make a bookshelf out of it!", I yelled. "A bookshelf?", he gasped, standing there in the middle of the tub looking rather ridiculous himself and trying to make it out that I was some kind of a nut. "A bookcase!", I said defiantly. "To do *that*," he groaned, "you'd have to move the tub . . . better just patch this up and forget about it." It took three part-time drinking friends and one disenchanted carpenter to move the tub out into the hall. "Now how deep do you want this here linen closet?," the carpenter asked. "I only want it deep enough for a row of BOOKS; it's gonna be a BOOKSHELF," I said. "Make a dandy linen closet," he countered. "BOOKS!", I shouted.

Well, we didn't see him for three weeks but I don't count that as anything personal. The weather was against us. In Bucks County if it's an outside job you don't get the carpenters on rainy days; if it's an inside job you don't get 'em on clear days and if you're planning a bookshelf for the bathroom you pray for the monsoon season. He came back one rainy morning and by the time I had returned from my regular morning shower at the local taproom (and don't think *that* isn't a story in itself), he had finished the most fantastic *linen* closet this side of Jackie's East Wing. Eight feet high, six feet deep! "Books," I sobbed, "all I wanted was a simple, little bookshelf." He just glared at me and it's the first time I've known a Bucks County carpenter to leave an inside job on a rainy day but he left. My wife and I both heard him leave. And I think he was cussin' when he left but I don't think it was because he had anything against books, as such. I think it was mostly falling over the bathtub at the top of the stairs that made him mad.

It was easy enough for my wife and I to fill in the linen closet and make it look like a bookshelf. In view of the fact that we don't have any linen to speak of (we had our wedding during a *salad bowl* year) we just filled it with the accumulated trappings of a marriage that has lasted twenty-four hours a day, five years. Back in the dark reaches of the closet, and just beyond the complete works of Mark Twain, an eager-beaver guest will find all of the stuff we've saved for what I'll never know including several boxes of Michener and Van Zandt campaign buttons and a ton or more of chipped brown-stone from the front of the old courthouse which was given to me as a bribe for laying off saying anything further about the new one.

Now we had the most beautiful bookshelf any bathroom without a bathtub has ever had. It didn't seem right putting that old tub back into that literary retreat. This time we did it right!

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## Ice Fishing More Popular

Next to skiing and ice skating in Pennsylvania's great variety of winter sports, ice fishing has not only become a trend, but is a confirmed habit with a great many residents around Lake Erie and other northern sections of the state.

Erie, the shallowest and stormiest of all the Great Lakes, has its turbulent waters conquered by nature in the form of thick ice during the winter months. And this is when the ice fisherman goes to work. He knows what to do and is happy to share his knowledge with the novice or out-of-stater who visits northern Pennsylvania in winter.

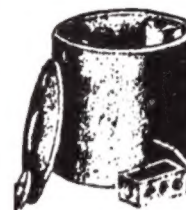
Although Lake Erie is the main center for ice fishing, the entire northern section from Lake Erie eastward to the Poconos is dotted with lakes, ponds and rivers where this old fashioned sport is enjoyed.

No matter where you go in Pennsylvania's northern counties, it's not far to winter sports activity. A ride in a horse drawn sleigh is still available if you inquire among local residents. Toboggan rides and even dog sleds have not become a part of the past completely.

More resorts and accommodations in northern Pennsylvania now remain open all year, according to the Pennsylvania Department of Commerce, and a larger variety of better quality accommodations are constantly being built.

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SEASONS GREETINGS





# An Editor Reminisces



by C. Norman Detweiler

Two old Penna.-Dutch traditional customs that come to mind at the turn of the year have now almost passed into the realm of the forgotten. They are "The Shooting Out of the Old Year" and "Hunting Elbetritches."

Both had their origin in the Old World and were brought here by the early settlers, having been practised, particularly in this section of the country, for many years. However, since the turn of the twentieth century, both customs have almost ceased to exist.

Family gatherings and "Watch Night" services were more conscientiously observed in the early days than they are now on New Year's Eve, and it was at the stroke of midnight that the men folks would go outside the house and shoot off shotguns, pistols and rifles in tribute to the dying year.

Today Watch Night services are seldom held in a home, and not in as many churches as was once the custom, the trend being toward making whoopee in night clubs or otherwise "seeing the Old Year out and the New Year in." And so, with modern ways of celebrating the occasion, the traditional "shooting" has gone by the board.



ELBETRITCH HUNTING

Few, if any, of the younger generations know about Hunting Elbetritches, a prank that was perpetrated upon many an unsuspecting person in years gone by. This stunt had its origin far back in the mythology of Europe, and apparently was a popular New Year's trick, for at that time of the year an uninitiated person was told to stand out in front of the house holding an open bag in which to catch the fabled Elbetritsch. Meanwhile the rest of the party was chuckling inside the warm house and in due time someone would go upstairs and from an open window pour a bucket of water on the unsuspecting chap outside.

My recollection of playing this trick is that we did it in a somewhat different manner. Selecting someone to be the "goat" we would tell him a fabulous tale about the mythical animal and how rare and valuable it was for its fur, then on a cold night take him several miles out of town, give him a bag, and tell him to stand there very quietly while we would beat the bushes to chase the Elbetritsch his way. But instead of beating the

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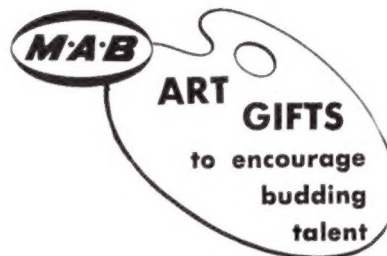
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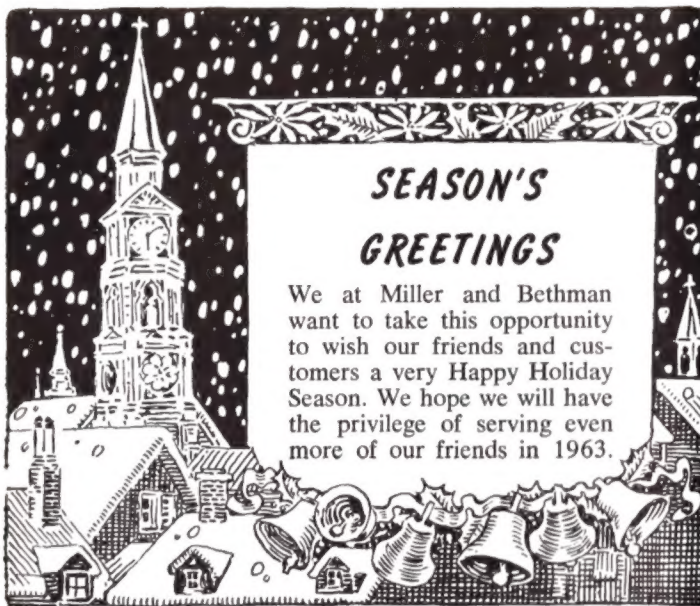
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Governor-elect William Scranton is seen here chatting with Panorama Publisher Dick Alliger when Scranton visited Doylestown recently. (Panorama Photo by Barlow)

## Romance In History

One of the most romantic episodes in Pennsylvania's history was the settlement of the French Royalists at the French Asylum (Azilum) in Bradford County. The sophisticated colony of 50 log buildings included shops, inns, homes, a grist mill and a Catholic chapel. All the French notables of the day stopped there.

They built a great log house, the largest in America, as a home for the Queen who was finally lived there ten years, waiting for the day that Queen Marie Antoinette would escape her French prison and join them in Pennsylvania.



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# Stained Glass Beauty

by

Helen Rowe

Back in the 12th century people couldn't read. The church lived with the perpetual problem of getting across the stories of the Bible. Frescoes depicting the stories decorated the church walls and naves. Illuminated manuscripts brought colorful scenes to the layman's eye. But the real answer to the problem came in a beautiful and fantastic discovery: stained glass.

The Egyptians worked out a form of coloring glass, but the full scope of the art didn't come into being until the 12th century in Western Europe. For two centuries after that the stained glass windows of the great Gothic cathedrals reigned supreme as the highest achievement of the era. It is said this is the one great art that registers all the million different tones of color perceived by the human eye. To the churches of the Middle Ages it was more than that . . . it was the most successful method of teaching Bible stories to the people.

Then came a set-back for the art. The Reformation swept over Europe. People began to learn, to grow, to read. Churches built their windows of clear glass so their congregations could see to read the Bibles and the hymns. After the 15th century, stained glass was considered gross and corrupt. Its popularity waned, never to be quite recaptured.

Until after the Second World War, that is.

When windows which had been removed from cathedrals in Europe for safekeeping during the war were reinstalled, many young artists recruited to repair them found new excitement in the ancient craft. From this new-found appreciation, the art received another whole new lease on life . . . the development of contemporary art. Just as the great contemporary artists began designing for ceramics, mosaics, embroidery etc, they took stained glass under their scrutiny. Such painters as Matisse and Leger were intrigued in their day by the ancient craft and made striking designs for churches. Soon commercial artists began to use the material for institutional and industrial buildings as well as for the home. A few years ago, the largest single expanse of stained glass in the world, 317 feet long, was installed in a building at Idlewild Airport in New York. College chapels, factories, shops homes . . . every type of building is displaying the evidence of the

growing trend of reintroducing the humanizing touch of color, pattern, and the unequalled beauty of the hand-wrought into our machine-made world.

Since the early 1900's, Bucks County has been a contributor to this growing revival of stained glass skill. It can be said, more specifically, to have started the day George and Alice Sotter moved from Pittsburgh to Holicong in Bucks. George had been on the faculty of Carnegie Tech's School of Fine Arts. Among his students there were Valentine D'Ogries, Forrest Crooks and Edward Byrne. After Sotter made the move to Bucks, the other three soon followed suit . . . working first for him in his stained glass studio . . . then eventually setting up their own studios. Although Valentine D'Ogries died a few years ago, his unique studio still stands and can be visited any day you're hungry . . . it is a restaurant high on a hilltop overlooking New Hope. Originally the building achieved immortality by being the school-house depicted by the primitive painter, Joseph Pickett, which hangs now in the New York Museum of Modern Art.

Today many of the greats in stained glass are gone, . . . Sotter, D'Ogries, Winifred Hyatt . . . but many greats are still with us: Edward Byrne of Doylestown . . . Richard Smith of Kintnersville . . . A peek into a studio here would show you the long painstaking process of the craft. You would see the original design on the drawing board . . . then the laid-out pattern of the whole with each segment numbered. The pieces of glass to be worked into the pattern often number in the thousands upon thousands. Each piece is mouth blown, so no two pieces are identical in depth or color. Each piece is then carefully cut to its numbered pattern and fired with extreme care. Then the particles of glass are put into position on the glazing pattern and each piece wrapped in lead. The leads are cut and fitted for soldering. In this way the framework for the glass is formed. Finally the whole is weather-proofed and ready for installation.

All of the stained glass artists of Bucks will be immortalized by their works. Take a look at the windows of Richlandtown's Evangelical and Reformed Church . . . and those of Buckingham's Trinity Church. You will be gazing at

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## RACING MOTORS

# Preserving Our Past

by

Warren F Williams

"Joseph, thee did a wonderful thing when thee restored the Otto".

These were the words of praise directed to Mr. Joseph Penrose of Neshaminy, Pa. by

(Above—Mr. Joseph Penrose and his collection of cars. Mr. Penrose and friend "Tabby" are seated in the 1910 Otto, and from l. to r. are, a 1929 Ford Model A stationwagon, a 1931 Ford Model A roadster and the former Warrington Fire Company's Fire truck. (Panorama photo by Warren F. Williams)

Judge George Corson, former Judge of The Montgomery County Courts.

We must agree with Judge Corson, for the Otto is a very significant automobile. Mr. Penrose's car is one of the two known Ottos to be in existence today, and that is rare.

The Otto gas engine was developed in 1867 and was used as a model for most early automobile engines.

"The Otto was almost like a member of the family. My brother bought it in 1910 and brought it to this very farm", related Joe Penrose.

"When we finally realized the shape it had fallen into, there seemed no other course open than to restore it."

Mr. Harry Ritchie of North Hills did the restoration on the Otto, as on the other three cars in the Penrose collection—a 1925 Ford, Model T Fire Truck; A 1929 Model A Ford Station Wagon; and a 1931 Ford Model A road Roadster.

The work on the Otto began in 1957 and continued for a couple of years until all four cars were completed. Mr. Ritchie's task on the Otto was greatly simplified by the use of

an original Otto catalog showing the 1910 model in considerable detail. This catalog, belonging to Mr. Penrose, is the only one known to exist.

The Penrose family owned two Otto Autos. The first one purchased was a large five passenger touring model and served as a family conveyance when the weather and road conditions permitted; otherwise, "old Dobbin" was at hand to resume his duties.

The second Otto, the roadster, was purchased by Mr. Penrose's brother, William.

Joseph "inherited" the road-



ster around 1920 and modified it considerably. He used it while attending Swarthmore and Franklin and Marshall Colleges. The roadster was retired about 1930.

The family Otto went the way of most automobiles.

### Warrington Fire Truck

Many of the older residents of Warrington Township will remember the second car in the Penrose collection—The original Warrington Township Fire Truck. It was a 1925 Model T chassis, which had been equipped with fire fighting gear by the American LaFrance Company.

By 1935, the Fire Company felt that the Model T was no longer giving them the kind of service they needed in terms of speed and power. Mr. Penrose, a long time member of the company, provided a Packard straight eight chassis of about 1927 vintage. This was a substantial improvement and Member Penrose received the Model T chassis in trade.

By 1955 the Packard was replaced by more modern equipment, and the American LaFrance gear and the Ford chassis were reunited. The result is the superb restoration of the community fire engine and a real tribute to the community spirit of Joseph Penrose.

As we sat in his barn, surrounded by the antique automobiles, a fine collection of automobile license plates and other relics of America's proud automotive past, Mr. Penrose expressed in part, his philosophy of his hobby.

"We are preserving part of our great past by maintaining these old cars. The preservation of America's proud past should be the business of everyone, and we auto collectors try to do our part."

*At right we see two views of the 1910 Otto from Mr. Penrose's collection. The huge headlights on the 1910 Otto used acetylene. The storage tank is visible on the right running board (on the side view photo) The crank is not a dummy. This is how the car "was brought to life. Notice the speedometer drive gear on the right front wheel. The large bulb near the driver's seat is the horn. The brakes were on the rear wheels. This 1910 Otto cost \$1950.00 when brand new. (Panorama Photos by Warren F. Williams)*

Mr. Penrose composed a verse about his Otto that we print herewith with his kind permission.

### "The Penrose Otto"

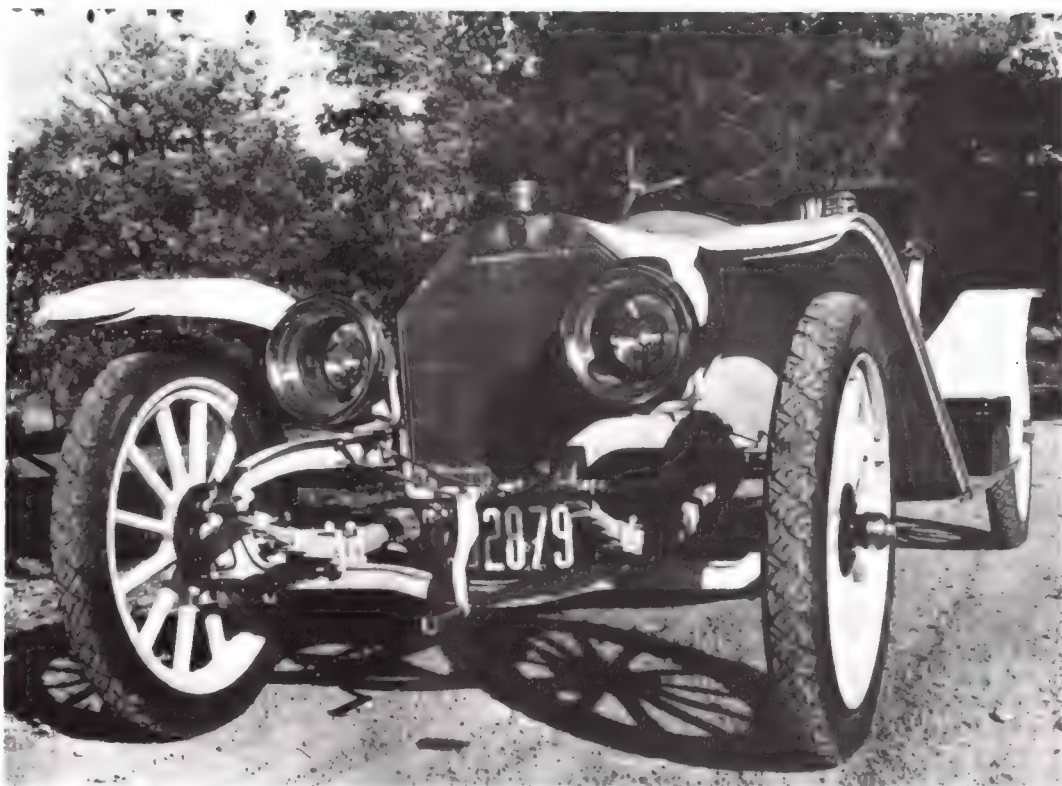
"All painted bright, with wheels made of wood,  
The Otto has moved from the place where it stood.  
For years it stood idle, not a spark in its plug,  
But now it is running, with a familiar chug."

For Harry, with patience and care,  
(Honestly, we wondered whether he could)  
has brought back to life, what was under the hood.

The frame was all rusty, the wheels were not true,  
And it made Harry figure, what was the best thing to do.  
Now the brass is all polished, the fenders are new,  
We're ready for the Turnpike, to see what she'll do."



Pictured above is the former Warrington Fire Truck, now in the Penrose collection.





# The Case Of The Good Samaritan

by

Peter Phelp

George B. Wyer was a good man. He lived with his family in a little stone house in Morrisville, Bucks County. He liked to mind his own business. He liked his neighbors to mind theirs and leave him be.

One evening, however, in September of the year 1862, he found himself in a difficult position. One of Mrs. Proxmeyer's teenaged children kept running over to his house, pounding the door and calling to him.

"Please, please come over right away! Mama's in trouble! She needs you!"

The appealing face tugged his heart strings, when he'd open the door each time. Each time it became more difficult to say no.

Now it was very difficult. The child was over for the third time. He stood in the cool evening air of autumn, knocking ashes from his pipe.

"My dear child, your mother runs a beer shop. She will always be having a rowdy customer to deal with from time to time. . . ."

The child's eye opened wide. "This is not one customer. . . this is five of 'em! They be breaking every stick of furniture . . . throwing every ale mug in the place. . . .!"

George Wyer sighed.

This time he could not say no. Mrs. Proxmeyer was not only a neighbor in real trouble. She was his own wife's mother. At all costs, he must go over and see what he could do.

He put his pipe up on the mantel rack, just as he did every night, not knowing this night, he was preparing to go

out and commit murder.

He grabbed a gun. Five boisterous critters might require a strong stand.

The child guided him through a thicket at the back of their houses until they were at the back door of the Proxmeyer beer shop. A raucous laughter resounded from the front part of the house. A door slammed just as Wyer and the child entered into the kitchen. Mrs. Proxmeyer bolted back towards them, looking at the tavern room apprehensively over one shoulder as she ran.

"Praise be, George . . . you've come! Thank the Lord! This be the wildest parcel o' customers I've had since I been in business! They wouldn't have no part of payin' the bill . . . then they knocked down poor ole Chambers jist as he was servin' some soldiers an beat him up right good. Then they tossed out the soldiers. . . . When they stepped out front to boot the soldiers on their way, I ran forward and shut the door and bolted it. . . ." Mrs. Proxmeyer wiped her forehead wearily. "Now I don't know what we kin expect. . . ."

A crash of glass punctuated her final remark. The window panes in the tavern were tinkling to the floor, one after another as stones came pelting through.

Wyer glanced into the tavern room. It looked like a field of corn, mowed down by a fall storm. Tables overturned, bottles reeling across the wide planked floors, stones heaving against chairs, plate racks, sending pewter plates and mugs

spinning through the air. Outside the group was yelling like a tribe of Indians.

Suddenly the shouting stopped. There was a consultation. In a moment, it started afresh, coming around the side of the house. Wyer sprang to the kitchen door, rammed the bolt tight into place, leaning his weight against it. In a matter of seconds the group was on the other side of the kitchen door, yelling and whooping.

"Open up, you cringin' raccoons . . . or we're a-breaking every stick of this house down . . . an' every bone in every one o' your bodies!"

George Wyer rubbed his nose and cocked his gun. He didn't like to interfere with another body in this world, but he warn't no coward, and he wasn't aimin' to be called one, either. He stepped back from the door as the pounding got wilder. Thrust after thrust was splintering the door panels. He stood a few steps back, his hand on the gun's trigger. He nodded towards Mrs. Proxmeyer and her children. They backed against the farther wall, but each stood his ground without flinching. Fine stock, his wife came from, he decided in that one fleeting moment.

Then all the fires of Hades let loose. The door crashed open. Three men and a woman were waving sticks and pelting stones. One huge hunk of man was right behind the door and charged in. He waved a cane, crashing a taper off the kitchen table. With a swift movement, he pulled on the cane . . . out came a sword that gleamed in

the yellow light of a fat lamp on the wall. He swept his arm at Wyer. The sword pierced into Wyer's arm.

At that same instant, Wyer fired through the open door.

There was a moan from the group. Then a shriek from the woman. "He's been killed! That no good swine thar has killed Amos!"

George Wyer stood fast, his gun aimed out the open doorway, while his arm bled a steady thin stream onto the pine flooring.

The group of drunken rioters quieted down. David Peters, Phineas Shepherd, and a Mrs. Hackett and a neighbor of theirs . . . all from Trenton, sobered up swiftly. Amos Shepherd was dead. Just a little drinking party . . . and Amos met his death.

George Wyer slowly began to realize what he had done.

He had committed murder.

He looked back at his wife's mother. She was staring out the door, wanting to go see to the man Amos, but not daring. The children took a step towards the door and gazed out silently.

George put the gun down in a corner of the room. Hugging his bleeding arm close to him, he turned and slipped into the tavern. In another moment he had the door unlatched and was out.

He began to walk and walk. He looked back over one shoulder, first at the Proxmeyer shop . . . then at his own home. The faint glimmer of a taper burned in the parlor window, where his wife awaited him, while the little ones slept.

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# Fashions for the Holidays!



Planning a holiday party? Perhaps for New Years Eve. Here are but three of the many outstanding "party dresses" from Bucks County Fashion houses.

Judy Smith is seen at left, pausing before a party at the Doylestown Inn. Judy selected her black sheath dress from Ely's Dress Shop in Doylestown. The sleeveless dress features an overblouse and a scalloped midriff. The bows on the shoulder add to the charm of this dress.

Ready for cocktails at the Warrington Country Club (bottom left), our model is wearing a sleeveless cocktail dress with a boat neckline. Fashioned in green silk, it is a sophisticated sheath with flying panels, and is one of a large selection of holiday fashions from The Carriage House in Doylestown.

Miss Bonnie Brown pauses for an hors d'oeuvre at the charming Water Wheel Inn. She is wearing a winter white wool jersey sheath from Mussleman's of Doylestown. The bodice is embroidered in gold thread, while the neckline and waist are trimmed with gold piping. Gold bows accent the waistline.





# The Loveliest Bride

A holiday wedding, and reception at The Water Wheel Inn. Jewel Renner shows these lovely fashions from the Vogue Shoppe of Doylestown and Perkasio.

Here comes the bride (right) and she's wearing a pure silk Peau de Soir wedding gown with a lace applique and a belle skirt. A lovely bride in her gown from Vogue Shoppe.

Toasting the bride,

(At bottom right) Jewel models a Bridesmaid gown of brocade tafetta, with a Belle Skirt. Gown, \$29.95; Headdress, \$5.95; Gloves, \$2.95, Vogue Shoppe, Perkasio, and Doylestown.

Standing by the Water Wheel Inn fireplace in a photo for the wedding album, bridesmaid Jewel Renner is wearing a Long Bridesmaid dress of Peau de Soir, with a Belle Skirt. Gown, \$29.95, Headdress, \$5.95, and Gloves, \$3.95.

Fashions by The Vogue Shoppe, Setting, Water Wheel Inn.





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## Stained Glass

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the skill of George Sotter. Enter the Church of Christ the King in Haddonfield, New Jersey and you will see not only the magnificent stained glass windows of Edward Byrne's . . . but an entire interior done by Byrne! The altar, pulpit, etc. are all his handiwork!

It is true, making stained glass windows is a high craft, traditionally learned through years of apprenticeship. However, it is heart-warming to

know small specimens of this ancient beauty can be brought into your home. Antique shops are laden now with lampshades or window panes from old houses . . . ready to grace your home. Even jewelry made from tiny bits of colored beach glass or bits of crystal can be obtained . . . or made by yourself with a little ingenuity. Stained glass front-doors and fanlights can sometimes be picked up when the wrecking crews are at work on an old Victorian house. Plaques and medallions by local artists are on sale at

almost any gift shop along the byways of Bucks. Right now during the Yuletide season, many small plaques are available depicting a Christmas scene.

What more beautiful way is there to wish the passer-by a Merry Christmas than through the gleam and beauty of stained glass shimmering in your window? Remember, too, its message is as simple and basic as that which met the eyes of the eager worshippers in the cathedrals of the Middle Ages!

### Rum Corner

Until about 70 years ago, Fern-dale was known as Rum Corner. The name was derived, not due to any great consumption figures, but because the town boasted at one time as being the headquarters of a distiller.

The town of Fairless Hills in Falls Township was begun in 1951, and was named for U. S. Steel President, Benjamin W. Fairless.

Plumstead Township was named for Francis Plumstead, a London iron monger and one of the first non-resident land-owners. He never visited America.



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# Shooting In The New Year

by

Helen Rowe

One of the finest things a newcomer to the rural parts of Bucks County notices, come New Year's Eve, is the sound of gunfire at the stroke of twelve.

This crack and snap from backyard to backyard is only a small sample of the echoing salvos that once filled the hill-sides and valleys of yesteryear's Bucks. Yes, a generation ago the Pennsylvania Dutch custom of "shooting in the New Year" held sway over the entire county. It was an exciting custom that ended one year and began another with full alarums and cymbals! Everyone . . . grown-ups and children alike . . . looked forward to this celebration with as much anticipation as they did Christmas.

In those days, old Bucks Countians recall, the last day of December began with the quiet preparation of the next day's feast by the womenfolk . . . and a lazy snooze by the coal stove on the part of the menfolk. But as the stroke of midnight drew near . . . the whole household was on its toes, wide awake. The women started setting out little cakes and pitchers of hard cider in the pantry, or gathering glasses and a bottle of "schnopp" (brandy) for the hoped-for guests. The men would don their warm coats, encase their heads in caps and ear muffs, grab their long-bar-

reled shotguns and step outside to join a band of neighbors assembled in the frosty air.

On the stroke of midnight, the volleys would begin. Perhaps the first sound came from a lone neighbor in the distant hills. A resounding volley from another neighbor or two on another hillside would respond. Then others from a valley, until salutes fired in salvos echoed and re-echoed all over the county.

In the villages, men in groups marched from house to house, tavern to tavern, firing guns over the rooftops. In some instances, the shooters were accompanied by men with horns, drums or other instruments to embellish the racket with added gusto.

Any household visited by the shooters was most honored. The whole family would assemble on the front porch in welcome. Of course, the shooters would be invited inside for a bit of cake and brandy. This procedure for a whole evening sent the shooters on their final way homeward in the early morning hours, wending quite a zig-zag course!

In the south of the United States, shooting off firearms and firecrackers is still a Yuletide custom. How the custom originated, no-one can say for sure. Some sources declare it sprang

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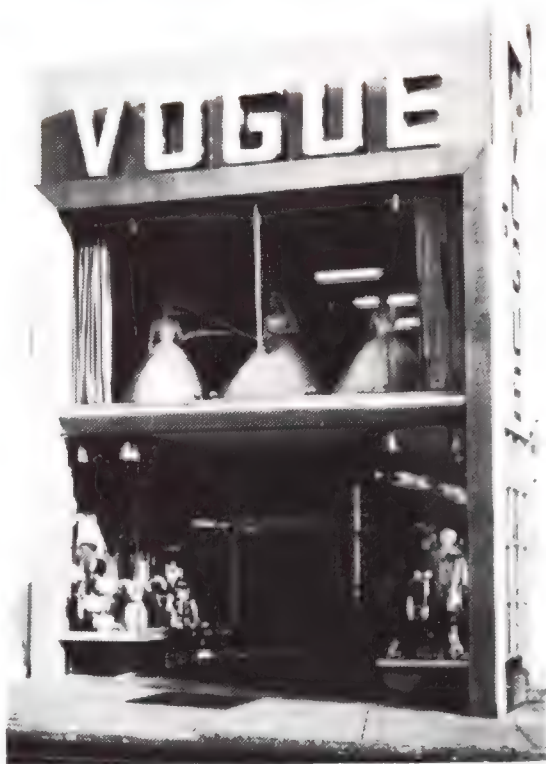


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This picturesque Bucks County scene was snapped by Edith Smith of the Bucks County Planning Commission Staff last winter along the Sundale Road between Ottsville and Erwinna.

### TIME FOR HIM

I'm looking for the Christ Child  
Said a little boy one day,  
As he hurried from the subway  
In the Christmas rush,  
and sway.  
But no one seemed to hear him,  
Though he thought he heard  
them say,  
If I hold out over Christmas,  
I'll see you New Years day.

But no one seemed to notice,  
As he wandered through  
the city  
How thin the childish face was,  
Too rushed, to glance or  
pity.  
For they had so much to cope  
with,  
A schedule tight, but neat,  
With a picture in their mind's  
eye  
Of all their Christmas treats.  
Ond so it is understandable,  
There was no time to speak,  
To a thin faced little boy,  
Along a city street.

And so the boy despairing  
Of finding the Christ Child  
there,  
Looked out across the masses,  
And thought, he hadn't  
been fair,  
For many he had met, in  
passing,  
Looked tired from the toil  
of the day,  
And some had signs of illness,  
So he had to excuse them,  
this way.

And lo! he felt warm and  
protected,  
And thought, with the  
coming snow,  
It will be, for me, as a blanket,  
To share with the Christ  
Child, I know.  
Won't you find time this  
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To search for the Christ  
Child too?  
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## Dr. Mercer Builds His Castle

One of the most interesting parts of the job of being a Bucks County Magazine editor is that you meet so many fascinating people. An example of what we are talking about is Mr. William Frankenfield of Georgetown, Delaware.

Mr. Frankenfield is believed to be the last living survivor of the crew of men that constructed the Mercer Museum on South Pine Street. Chatting with Mr. Frankenfield about the building of the giant "castle like" structure brought out some interesting facts.

Dr. Henry Mercer, the man whose dream was the castle, had no blueprints for the building. He would come out in the morning and outline to the foreman what he wanted, and then the workman would go at it. His appearances at noon and in the evening were also to offer advice. The blueprints for the castle were in his "mind eye", much as he had remembered seeing such castles in Europe.

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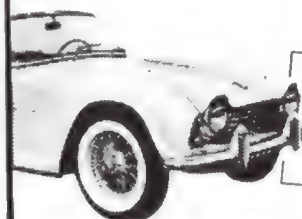
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Back in the 1920's, The Doylestown Trust Company offices on Main Street, next to The Fountain House, looked like this. Below is the President's Office back in 1920. Many big changes have taken place since these photos were taken. Doylestown Trust Company now has a large modern Georgian style building on West Court Street, and the former Main Street building now houses Borough Hall. (Photos courtesy Elmer Cates and P. M. Allen)





# Rambling with Russ

by

A. Russel Thomas

A HAPPY AND Prosperous New Year to all our PANORAMA readers, and to those who are subscribing for 1963. This corner sincerely believes that 1963 will be the most news-worthy year in history. Certainly 1962 was one to forget, for many folks. For instance, it was a year in which both major political parties in Bucks reached the stupidity stage, resulting in splits in both sides of the political fence. We believe that it is now time to close ranks and forget petty differences, and help make 1963 a year long to be remembered.

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LOOKING FORWARD in 1963: To the elimination of Pennsylvania's roughest bit of highway (Route 611) between County Line and Doylestown Boro, to be replaced by a modern multiple-lane thorough-fare . . . To a new State street through Doylestown's mid-town shopping district . . . To a handsome new Lutheran Church and a new Episcopal Church School . . . To the 128th annual dinner-meeting of the Union Horse Company at the Doylestown American Legion Home on Saturday, February 9 . . . To a new \$1 million hospital on the grounds of the Neshaminy Manor Home and a new Bucks County Prison Farm to be built nearby . . . To a new warden at the Bucks County Prison, replacing the one and only Earl D. Handy, who is retiring after years of efficient and faithful service . . . To the advantages of urban renewal in both the county and municipalities . . . To the day when telephones are installed in the press room of Bucks county's new 7½ million Courthouse . . . To the day when all three Bucks county commissioners can agree on at least the majority of projects presented . . . To the day and hour when the acoustics in Court Room No. 1 of Bucks county's handsome new courthouse are greatly improved . . . To the day when some smart feller can invent something to take the place of the parking meter.

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UNSELFISH SERVICE: Not many folks know it, but the Thrift Shop in the basement of the Hayman-Radcliff Building on West State Street, Doylestown, sponsored by Welcome House—an adoption agency—remembered the agency at Christmastime with a check for \$1,200. This was in addition to a monthly donation to Welcome House of \$275 . . . The Thrift Shop is operated by some 70 volunteers, all women, who donate their services as clerks and sales people . . . Thrift Shop handles antiques and clothing for men, women and children . . . The ladies who make this Thrift Shop possible, deserve the highest rating possible in community service.

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POTPOURRI: Every so often we are shocked by the untimely passing of a personal friend and companion . . . Among a legion of friends, this reporter will greatly miss the always loyal and friendly REX BROWN, whose death occurred in December . . . Did you know that the birthstone for January is the Garnet, the meaning is Constancy and the flower is the Carnation . . . Deputy Sheriff Walter E. Bachmann is recuperating from an ankle-fracture sustained when he fell on a highly-polished step in the new Bucks County Courthouse, while assisting a fellow-employee through a pitch-dark court room . . . The annual banquet of the Philadelphia Sporting Writers Association will be held Monday night, January 28 at the Hotel Sheraton.

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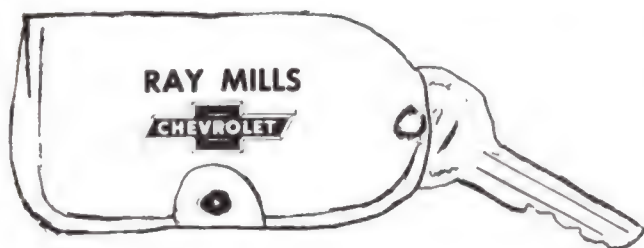
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## THE CASE OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN

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George kept on walking. He couldn't go home. Not now. Not ever. He had murdered a man!

For many months the beer shop riot and murder kept on every man's tongue in Bucks County. The newspapers told and retold the story. Constables of every township and county were on the lookout for George B. Wyer. Nowhere could he be found.

But a man's heart aches for his own and for his home, no matter what he has done. Over four years later, Wyer returned to the area. In January of 1867, he was recognized in Trenton and picked up, charged with murder. Overnight, the story was rekindled. Witnesses were assembled, a jury chosen... the trial under way.

Mrs. Hackett and Phineas Shepherd and David Peters stated that the group was most peaceable. They had simply forgotten some coats and were trying to gain re-entrance to obtain them, when Wyer shot through the door, killing Amos.

But Mrs. Proxmeyer and her children, aged 15 to 17, told another story. They told how Wyer came to help them, and how he'd protected them... all of them from death by the drunken group.

The jury deliberated no more than a half hour. Here was a man "not to be suspected of any disposition to maliciously take the life of a fellow human being..."

The verdict came back "Not guilty".

After four years and a half of running... George Wyer was absolved of blame. He was free. Free to be home again and a good man, disposed only to quiet living and to minding his own affairs. A good Samaritan who had earned his neighbors' understanding.

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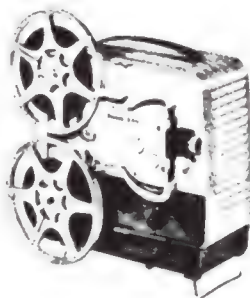
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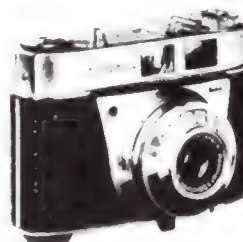
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# brugger's bucks

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No more professional help! We called in my wife's brothers which wasn't difficult because they're always down in the kitchen, anyhow. They are an able-bodied brood of Irishmen who know all about motors and things, not that motors and things have anything to do with a new bathtub. It was determined at a meeting of the clan, my kitchen, my beer, that among them they knew enough people who knew enough people that the fixtures could be bought and installed for a song. It turned out to be a Lower East Side Irish Melody. The first thing they did was to turn off all the water. It was the beginning of an era which we now look back on as the time of the six-week drought in the desert of New Galena.

It certainly was never my intention to become an early morning dart shooter but one doesn't just go barging into the corner taproom every morning for six weeks without making friends. Obviously I couldn't drink for breakfast; I did that at night staying as far away as I could from my own home during the time of the trouble. The brothers' wives and their infant children came to live in and in addition to miles of copper tubing the hallway represented an obstacle course which now included not one but two tubs, (the new one in robin's egg purple). The brothers, *her* brothers, worked at it when they could, like every other Sunday night between Ed Sullivan and Candid Camera. My wife and I grew apart . . . and dry. "Water!", I'd gasp. "DON'T YOU DARE PICK ON MY BROTHERS!", she'd scream.

Well, it's in and they're gone and I have my books and a discounted purple bathtub. I also have the satisfaction of knowing that in an age when demi-gods have risen on the ashes of burned books, I have sacrificed much in the name of literature and a warm tub. The money we saved in doing it themselves will come in handy . . . after I pay the carpenter (who had to come back when the courthouse stones crashed through the living room ceiling) and the registered plumber who had to be called in to make one slight adjustment. Somehow I knew even if I don't know about motors and things that the shower belonged up on the wall and not in the water closet. It was supposed to be a joke or something. My wife said I lost my sense of humor. Not as quickly as I lost my in-laws, I can assure you.

In the meantime, if you're ever over this way, come on it, the water's fine, and you can row right over to Huck Finn up there on the wall. Watch out for falling rocks, though!

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The man who goes out on the limb gathers the fruit.

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The wife who has good horse sense never becomes a nag.

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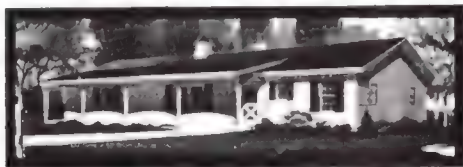
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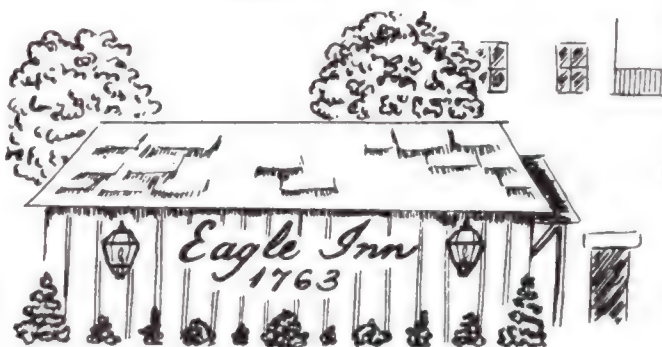
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bushes we beat it back home to our warm beds while he stood out there getting chilled to the bone. How long the victim stood there waiting for the catch depended upon how long it took for him to realize that he was a dupe.

So much for this almost-forgotten trick, but what is an Elbetritsch? The word "Elbe" stems from the old German word "Alp," which means nightmare, but the Anglo-saxon form of "Elbe" has since been changed to "Elf" meaning "Fairy".

In old German folklore an Alp was a witch or evil person that appeared in the form of a nightmare, laying itself heavily on the chest of a sleeping person, making it impossible for him to move or make a sound while experiencing horrible dreams. The Alp was also believed to be able to spirit itself into the crib of a new-born babe and "hexing" it by allowing the babe to nurse from the Alp's breast. To prevent this it was the custom to place a comb in the child's crib or cradle, or to hang a pair of the father's trousers across the bed. Another belief was that the placing of an old broom crosswise under the crib would ward off the Alf.

Alp or Elbe, whichever you choose, it gave rise to the word Elbetritsch which came to mean an awkward, simple person who has been taken in by the Elbe. Are there still some around? Try it and see!

### Au Revoir, Noel

The Christmas "PUTZ" has seen a better day,  
The needles long since fell from off the tree,  
The youngster packs his 'lectric train away  
And leaves the cleanup job for Ma and Me.

The merry-making guests depart,  
The revelry and tumult cease,  
Though Christmas means much to my heart  
I hope I now can rest in peace.

The holidays they too have gone  
With all their joys and fads and frills,  
And many a man is pale and wan  
From adding up December bills.

But don't be downcast, don't be sad,  
In spite of all these thoughts in verse,  
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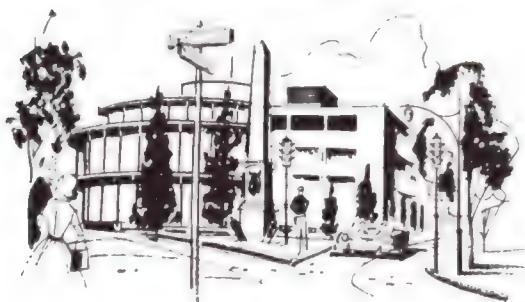
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## Around The County



### January 1963

Christmas, New Year's—the end of one year and the beginning of another. This is always a most happy time of the year. We hope that sometime during the busy activities of shopping, celebrating, rejoicing, we all will take time to reflect on the real meaning of Christmas . . . and whose birthday Christmas commemorates. It seems funny that we have to be reminded, but the hustle and bustle of life at this time of year tends to make us forget the quiet simple birth that took place 1962 years ago. Think about it . . . and Merry CHRIST-MAS!

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Our good friend ANN HAWKES HUTTON has just recently had a new book published, and it is one that should belong in every Pennsylvanian's library. The title of the new work is "The PENNSYLVANIAN," telling the life and times of longtime political czar of the Keystone State, JOSEPH GRUNDY. We found it hard to put the book down after starting to read it. Mrs. Hutton has written a fine, well documented and most interesting book on one of Bucks County's most controversial "gifts" to the world. After reading the book, the reader has a much better understanding of the man "Uncle Joe" Grundy. The book, published by Dorrace at \$4.95, is available at all booksellers, and is highly recommended by this column. Ann Hawkes Hutton is chairman of the Bucks County Historical and Tourist Commission, Chairman of the Board of Historic Fallsington, and about a dozen other such groups. This is her fourth book.

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SPEAKING of books, a children's book about life along the Delaware Canal in New Hope in the mid nineteenth century, "A TUNE FOR THE TOWPATH" by JANE FLORY is causing quite a stir in book sales recently. The book has illustrations by the author, and has delighted all youngsters who have read it. LAURA LOU BROOKMAN at The Delaware Book Shop in New Hope introduced the book locally. Miss Brookman sponsored a contest in several local schools in connection with the book. The children wrote "reviews" and did some illustrations suggested by events in the story. They are quite cute, and are on display at the New Delaware Book Shop in New Hope.

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PAUL B. MOYER, the automobile electric system dealer on Oakland Avenue has recently changed the name of the firm to "Paul B. Moyer & Sons, Inc." Still the same fine crew to serve you.

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OUT of the service recently came RICHARD DUVAL of Pineville from the Marines, and BOW POWERS of Doylestown from the Air Force.

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This story is credited to a Doylestown businessman who wants to remain unknown. As he tells it — A little boy dashed in the house and breathlessly informed his father that he had just sold their mongrel dog for \$50,000.

"For cash?" inquired the father.

"Well, practically" was the proud reply. "I swapped him for two \$25,000. cats."

Miss JEANETTE ATKINS recently joined the Bucks County Department of Health staff as Director of Nursing. Miss Atkins resides in Warminster, Bucks County.

OLD CLOTHES? The St. James Lutheran Church in Chalfont is collecting used clothing and bedding for Christian relief work around the world. The church delivers all clothing to the Lutheran World Relief who in turn distributes it to needy persons around the world without regard to religious affiliation. Clothing may be left at the Parrish House of St. James Church in Chalfont. Here is a chance to clean out your closets and help others at the same time. Why not today?

CONGRATULATIONS to Mr. and Mrs. CARL SHAFER III on the birth of a son, John. Another nephew for "Uncle Dick".

Chalfont's TONY HYDE, now with the Merchant Marine, is on a trip to Japan, and then 'round the world'. Sounds like fun.

TIM DICK of Doylestown has left for a job in South America. He will be there two years.

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Doylestown Real Estate man BOB LIPPINCOTT was recently elected president of The Bucks County Board of Realtors. Congratulations, Bob! Other officers elected by the group include: ROBERT C. RUEHL, JR., of Morrisville as 1st Vice President; ALLAN W. WILLIAMS of Feasterville as 2d Vice President; GEORGE R. SMITH of Doylestown as Treasurer; JOHN J. CONNOLLY of Levittown as Recording Secretary; and ALFRED PATTON of Doylestown as Executive Secretary. The board has increased membership by 20% this past year, making it the fourth largest in the State of Pennsylvania!

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## Around Town

Mr. and Mrs. JOE BUTERA of Point Pleasant announce the engagement of their daughter KAY FRANCES to JAY ALBRECHT. No wedding date has been set.

Speaking of wedding bells, our good friend TONY OTT and JENNI HERSCHLER will 'unite' on January 18.

WILMA KUMMER and HENRY FRETZ recently were married. Congratulations! Wilma is appearing Friday and Saturday nites at the Doylestown Inn "Jug-In-The-Wall." She plays both the accordion and the electric organ for dancing and listening enjoyment.

Pineville's RICH DUVAL is out of the Marine Corps. Rich and his "pa" will soon move to the County Seat where they will take up residence at The Spruce Court Apartments.

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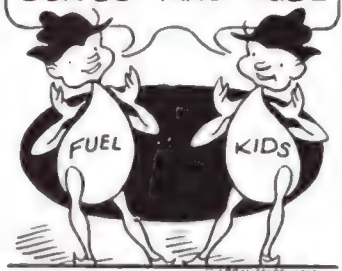
The CARL JAMES TRIO is now appearing Friday and Saturday evenings at the new "County Seat Inn," (formerly The Rainbow Lounge). The James Trio will also be at the County Seat Inn for the New Year's Eve party.

CONGRATULATIONS to Mr. and Mrs. WILBUR ROGERS on the birth of a 9 lb. 3 oz. son. Mother is finé, father is recovering, but "grandpa" Benkert is still a nervous wreck.

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# REMEMBER WHEN



This old photo shows a sleet storm that hit Bucks County back in 1910. This scene was taken, reportedly, at Plumsteadville. Note the trolley tracks at left of photo. (Roy Kulp Collection)

## New Year

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from the early days in America when the settler lived too far from his neighbor to convene in celebration, so they shot their greetings to each other. Other historians feel the custom goes back to the ancient habit of making noises to frighten away evil spirits.

In any case, Pennsylvania leads the United States in the loudest New Year's custom . . . shooting in the New Year. There could be only one noisier demonstration: put a group of Pennsylvania Dutchmen on Times Square at the stroke of midnight!

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PANORAMA Historical Editor ROY C. KULP recently lectured at the CBHS Adult School, and will soon journey to Virginia for a lecture series in that state at the Eastern Mennonite College. By the way, Mr. Kulp recently revised an old historical work on Montgomery County and it will soon be published in book form.

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## RAMBLING WITH RUSS

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**ODDS AND ENDS:** A brand new banking headquarters for the Doylestown Federal Savings and Loan, will be erected this year on the parking lot owned by the association, adjacent to the Bucks County Office Building, off Monument Square . . . Justice of the Peace "Clayt" Lewis, who recovered nicely from a visit to the Doylestown Hospital several months ago, is carrying on his official business, as well as selling automobiles for Bill Kline's Doylestown-Pontiac Agency . . . Veteran Newsman and Publisher Gordon Cooper and his weekly column in "The New Hope News", are well worth the \$3-a-year subscription rate . . . His "Town Crier" and "Philosophy and Foolishness" columns are journalistic gems.

**IN SHORTS:** My favorite news reporter, "Les" Trauch, is now covering the weekly meetings of the Bucks County Commissioners for a local daily, in splendid style, by the way . . . To Prison Warden Earl Handy and Mrs. Handy, prison matron, we wish the best of happiness on their retirement . . . Glad to see Tonsorialist Randy Nelson back on the job after a shattered collarbone suffered while inspecting the new Episcopal Church school in D-Town . . . The new benches in the judicial wing of the Bucks County Courthouse are supported by highly-polished marble legs that remind one of a cemetery with un-marked tombstones . . . There are reports that the Navy is working on an atomic submarine not far from Bucks County, which will stay under water for four solid years—coming up just long enough to allow the crew to re-enlist.

**THIRTY:** After pulling out half the stock in an unsuccessful attempt to please a pernickety customer, a salesman in a West State Street shoe store, mopped his brow and inquired "Mind if I rest a moment, lady? Your feet are killing me!"

**POSTSCRIPT:** Did you know that if you had ever visited Tooqueminsey, you would have been in an Indian town in Solebury Township . . . that fishing in Robin Run would take you to the northwestern section of Buckingham Township . . . Camping on Mink Island would place you in the Delaware River at the mouth of Scotts Creek in Falls Township . . . that Slobbery Run is located in the southeastern Plumstead Township area, tumbling through a rocky ravine about a quarter mile east of Lower Black Eddy emptying into the Delaware Division Canal . . . that Timbucktoo was the name of an early settlement of negroes in Middletown Township . . . that White Horse was not always Scotch Whiskey but was a village on the township line between East and West Rockhill Townships . . . that a ride to Bowman's Hill in Solebury Township many years ago would take you by an Indian town named Winnahawchunik . . . that Kuglers Roost is a hill of some 600 feet elevation in southeastern Milford Township, a mile south of Trumbauersville, and to visit Kildorpy you would have to travel to Falls Township, while a jaunt to Jugtown would take you to Tinicum Township between Erwinna and Uhlerstown.

**THIS IS THE END:** Names of places have tremendous human interest. Men have fought over them, and oftentimes a proposal for a change will meet with violent community opposition. A place name is not easily destroyed. And so it was that just 20 years ago this last Christmas my good wife enriched the small reference library in our home with a copy of "Place Names In Bucks County", autographed by the author and my personal friend, the late George MacReynolds, librarian of The Bucks County Historical Society.

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# LETTERS...

## Washington's Crossing

Dear Mr. Alliger:

Naturally we were delighted to see the reproduction of Leutze's painting "Washington Crossing the Delaware," on the cover of your December issue. We enjoyed the beautifully fictional account by Helen Rowe. Fiction or not, we would like to suggest that we all join forces in noting the inaccuracy of that "Christmas Eve" crossing.

This took place many years ago and we have been trying for a long time to correct this error wherever possible. The Crossing was made on *Christmas Night*, December 25, and the early morning hours of December 26.

Again let me express our appreciation of the fine Bucks County magazine which you publish.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,

Chairman

Ann Hawkes Hutton,

## 'Commie Neighbors'

Dear Editor,

I read with interest your article re the 'commie' who was found in a bloody condition in a nearby wheatfield.

I cannot understand why none of the journals carried anything on it either, although everyone in our small village knew of it. The whole thing was watered down and sold as domestic trouble or business difficulties etc. No one here wants to talk about black and white, just gray.

I hope that you don't let the matter rest, our "Mr. X" has a lot of hard working party liners still in the area.

Let's hear more. — Name withheld on request.

Our reader refers to an item that appeared in the "Around Town" column for December 1962.

—Ed

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Conference: A meeting where people talk about things they should be doing.

## Family Album

Dear Sir:-

I do not know who to thank for the wonderful, happy surprise I received in the mail yesterday, a copy of the very interesting magazine, "Panorama," the first copy I had ever seen. A picture of "yours truly" was in "The Family Album," the Doylestown Grammar School Class of 1909. Oh, the memories it brought back to me of "Away back when." Thanks.

Nineteen pupils, quite a few in the picture and myself, graduated in 1915 — Think I was the first pupil later in 1918, to graduate as a Post graduate taking the Commercial course which was added to the Curriculum at D.H.S. in 1916, and was Mr. Carmen Ross's first Secretary, he giving me actual experience in office work, before I went out into the wide, wide world on my own.

Was also, interested in an article of the enlargement of the Doylestown Hospital, and how much it has grown. My twins, now men grown with their families, were the first twins and second babies born in the original Emergency Hospital when it was opened across from Episcopal Church. Dr. Frank Swartzlander wanted me to advertise the Hospital and I was supposed to stay 14 days, but the Doc. and Miss Harrington the nurse put me out in 8 days as the hospital was full and they needed the bed. There were only 6 beds. Nope, Doc. didn't send me any bill for the arrival of the twins as he thought I had done my job well. I surely congratulate the hospital on its fine work. Saw the hospital when I was back "home" in 1946.

Sure want to thank you again for the pleasant hours you gave me in reading your magazine, and wishing you many years of success.

—E. Darlington Wells  
Trona, Calif.

Ed Note — We were happy to

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receive Mrs. Wells letter. Mrs. Gardy of Doylestown asked us to send the copy to Mrs. Wells. Mrs. Gardy also identified nearly everyone in the "Family Album" photo in the November issue of Panorama. Thanks.

## Memories

Dear Editor,

Panorama is tops. I read it every month with pleasure.

I was quite thrilled to find my picture in two of your recent issues.

Your Nov. issue carried the Doylestown grammar school photo of 1909. I am proud to be a member of that class.

In the Oct. issue I was surprised to see myself in front of the old Court House. The occasion was the Centennial parade of 1912. My group represented the old Welsh settlers of early Bucks.

— George B. Mathews  
Lanham, Md.



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## Letters To The Editor

Dear Mr. Alliger:

Thank you for taking the trouble to send me a copy of Roger Watson's article which appeared in the December issue of PANORAMA. The Peace Corps Volunteers themselves are, after all, our best spokesmen and I feel that Mr. Watson's article does a good job in describing the need for the Peace Corps and the motivations of its members.

I appreciate your support, R. Sargent Shriver, Director, Peace Corps, Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Alliger:

Thank you for the gift subscription to "Panorama, A Magazine of Bucks County." We are very happy to add it to our periodical collection. We have been interested to note that some of the material included in the issue that we have already received is the type that we index for our historical reference collection.

Again many thanks for your generosity.

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Dear Sir:

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Dear Sir:

This letter is in reference to the 'Postscript' portion of the A. Russel Thomas column, January, 1963. In his column Mr. Thomas pointed out some unique places in Bucks County and gave their location.

I regret to find that on the last place mentioned, the location given is inaccurate. Specifically the article says, "A jaunt to Jugtown would take you to Tinicum township between Erwinna and Uhlerstown. However, the fact is that Jugtown lies further north along the canal, between Uhlerstown and Upper Black Eddy.

Miles Schuman  
 Erwinna, Pa.

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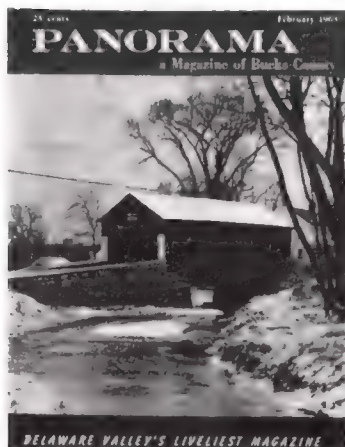
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## OUR COVER



Panorama photographer Richard Kaplinski went trudging through snow and ice, "above and beyond the call of duty" to get this photo of the Erwinna Covered Bridge for this month's cover. We think it was well worth it.

## LOOKING FORWARD

Every once in awhile, people ask, "Where do you go from here with Panorama?" We look back on the growth of Panorama from a shopping guide a little over four years ago, the gradual development into a magazine, gloss cover, color, many fine writers and columnists and thousands of fine readers and advertisers, who, after all make the whole thing possible.

There are many exciting things planned for Panorama readers this year. A new series of articles that promises to be the most interesting series we have ever run . . . new feature columns . . . a contest . . . and other things that are still in the planning stage.

There is one thing that we must not lose sight of, however. That is, "What do the readers want?" So far we think we have been successful in filling these needs, but there are always a few people who have ideas and thoughts on articles and features who never let us know about them. Therefore, we now are asking for your help.

We ask each and every reader about. Maybe it's a person, a place, or just some thing that is of interest to you that you would like to know more about. There are a million stories in Bucks County (NY has 8 million according to TV — we no doubt do too, but let's not brag too much). We will compile the results of your letters and send our researchers out "into the field" to get the story.

In the past, whenever Panorama has asked for reader help, the response has been tremendous. We expect an even greater response this time. So get out your pen, and let's hear from you.

## PANORAMA OFFICE MOVED

Panorama Magazine has moved its office from the second floor of 20 S. Pine Street to a "cheery little office" on West Oakland Avenue, next to The Village Cycle Shop. We invite you all to stop and see us (not all at once, please, as it is small). We are on the first floor, so visitors won't have to climb steps.

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Harrison and Colton Point, one may look 1,000 feet down to beautiful Pine Creek still eating its way through the glacier's plateau.

A more vivid example of the power of Ice Age water is the Archbald Pothole, now a state park, on U. S. 6 near Scranton. Here is a 50-foot hole cut by the steady whirl of glacier melt water. It is the largest pothole in the world.

The Ice Age reached its most southerly point about 50 miles north of downtown Pittsburgh and a state park—one of Pennsylvania's most beautiful—McConnells Mill, preserves the result. The gorge was formed when the Allegheny River flowed north, directly into the Ice Age glacier.

Slippery Rock Creek, which flows through McConnells Mill State Park, burst through the surrounding hills like an explosion, spilling giant boulders like beans from a broken bag. Within a few days the creek had cut a gorge 100 feet deep.

Alert to these beauty spots left by the glacier of 15,000 years ago, the state of Pennsylvania has preserved them all in state parks for public use. The state has 73 state parks. For a list and brief description of each, write the Travel Development Bureau, Pennsylvania Department of Commerce, Harrisburg 1, Penna.

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# brugger's bucks



by Bob Brugger

One of the most curious relics of another day is the foot-bridge which crosses the Delaware River at Lumberville. Other than climbing the steps at Bowman's Hill, it is the only place I know left in the County where a man can go awalking without some noisy motorist stopping to ask if he'd like a lift. There are many stories about how the non-vehicular bridge got there but there can be no doubt that it stands, to-day, as a remarkable monument to a time when people walked just for the sake of walked. (The only mother's march my mother ever joined was Lumberville, beginning with George Washington.)

I was born in an era in which people, even without causes, walked. (The only mother's march my mother ever joined was a mother marching us out of the house and into the fresh air.) We walked because it was a natural thing to do and we walked neither in protest of government nor in support of peace. The only thing organized about us was the ability to put one foot in front of the other and we didn't get any badges for doing it, either. To-day, unless you happen to be walking in political prejudice, I venture to suggest that you will find it very difficult to walk in Bucks County. Your first, and aforementioned natural enemy, is the motorist, the do-good Samaritan of the open road who cannot conceive that anyone on foot is not out of gasoline limping toward the nearest service station. I have found it better not to argue. Several times, for instance, I've headed north out of Pipersville in an effort to re-trace the wonderous hikes that I used to take as a kid. Each and every time I've ended up *South* out of Pipersville at Earl Wehrung's Mobil Station having been dutifully delivered there by eager-beaver people on wheels. If you value your local reputation, you'll allow yourself to be taken anywhere rather than answer honestly the question: "Whatcha doin', walkin'?"

The once-open, rolling hills of Bucks County have been declared off-limits to the pedestrian. The country-side has been hem- stitched and cross-stitched with wire fences designed, not to keep cows in, but trespassers out. The trees that border a county lane are tattooed with tack-ups that read **PRIVATE PROPERTY**, and the status-seeking suburbanite proudly (and dishonestly) affixes a sign, **DON'T WALK ON THE GRASS**, on his manicured acre of crab—. The very people who came to the County to take their children out of the asphalt jungle of the city have blazed a macadam trail, private lane to private lane, and the nostalgic dust of the country road has long since been absorbed by the fumes of foreign cars honking their accented "I dare you!" to anyone on foot this side of the open ditch. (Run, don't walk, to the nearest cover!)

Hopes for a revival of old-fashioned walking are slim. The first crop of pampered products of the post-war years, the precious, precocious, chauffeur-driven automatons of The Time Of The Four-Wheel Drive are now of voting age and it can be safely predicted that education (and a lot of other things) will continue to be dependent on whether or not the school bus can get through to pick up Johnny. To-day when they say they have to walk *all the way* to school what they mean is the bus doesn't stop in front of their house . . . stops at the corner! And while the Intelligencer continues to pay tribute to the industry of its paper boys, one rather suspects that a lot of fathers are moon-

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## ASSETS

First Direct Reduction Mortgage Loans	\$1,332,249.00
First Mortgage Loans on Shares	2,198.00
Share Loans	16,690.00
Interest in Arrears	1,101.73
Investments:	
Federal Home Loan Bank Stock	\$25,000.00
U.S. Government Securities	4,517.23
	29,517.23
Accrued Interest U.S. Government Securities	67.70
Cash	96,741.02
Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment	370.59
Less—Accumulated Depreciation	191.10
	179.49
Prepaid Insurance Premiums	170.77
Accounts Receivable	35.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,478,950.09</b>

## CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES

Due Shareholders:	
Full Paid Shares	\$643,000.00
Serial Shares	
(Paid-in Value)	\$441,819.00
Add—	
Dues in Advance	1,869.00
	443,688.00
Less—	
Dues in Arrears	2,200.50
	441,487.50
Profits Apportioned	104,658.32
	546,145.82
Participation Value	\$1,189,145.82
Loans in Process	42,475.00
Advances Federal Home Loan Bank	100,000.00
Accrued Interest on Advances	930.50
Advances for Taxes, Etc.	881.70
Funds Held for Repairs	309.00
Taxes Payable	405.27
Conveyancing Fees Payable	125.00
Accounts Payable	320.00
Deferred Credit:	
Construction Loan Fees	262.50
Undivided Profits	27,482.25
Contingent Reserve	116,613.05
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,478,950.09</b>

Dividend on Full Paid Stock — 3½%  
1962 — 1% Extra Dividend declared  
EARNINGS — 6.27% on Serial Shares  
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AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS, DECEMBER 31, 1962

## ASSETS

Cash	\$ 1,165,085.52
U. S. Government Bonds	927,018.26
Other Bonds	217,603.71
Federal Reserve Bank Stock	9,000.00
Loans and Discounts	2,361,750.79
Banking house and Fixtures	25,815.15

Total.....\$ 4,706,273.43

## LIABILITIES

Capital	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus	250,000.00
Undivided Profits	133,984.91
Demand Deposits	2,297,545.73
Time Deposits	1,877,986.42
Federal Reserve Bank (Deferred Credits)	94,211.37
Dividend	2,545.00

Total.....\$ 4,706,273.43

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# Rambling With Russ

by A. Russell Thomas

## "THE FRANK SHUTT STORY"

A COMPASSIONATE Continent, stirred by the drama of a Bucks County poultry farmer's valiant struggle "to live for love" responded to an emergency just 23 years ago with a torrent of offers to help 22-year-old G. Frank Shutt, Jr., of Warrington.

With the consent of Farmer Shutt, now 45, plus a nod from his good wife, Dorothy Bates Shutt, a member of the maternity nursing staff at the Doylestown Hospital, this reporter was granted permission to retell some of the "Frank Shutt Story" of 23 years ago, that gave Doylestown and Bucks county nationwide publicity.

It was during the Christmas season 23 years ago when this reporter was assigned to an important news story by the Philadelphia Inquirer's city editor. It was the story of Farmer Shutt looking forward to his return to his Warrington poultry farm and marrying the girl who helped nurse him in his "one-chance-in-a-hundred-battle" with a deadly malady known as Streptococcus Viridans infection.

Shutt had been on the brink of death for several weeks but on December 3, 1940, I wrote a news release stating that Frank would be discharged from the Doylestown Emergency Hospital. The news tip was furnished by my own family physician, Dr. Allen H. Moore, now living in Washington, N. C. The doctor passed along the word that Frank Shutt, Jr. had made a complete recovery from the usually-fatal disease. Thanks to numerous blood transfusions, this miracle took place.

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I WELL REMEMBER the spirit of all those blood-offers that were made to help Frank Shutt live—the only mortal thing which could help—the blood of a person who has recovered from Streptococcus Viridans.

Such a person, a Philadelphian whom the INQUIRER found and took to the bedside of the desperately ill Warrington youth, was selected from the hundreds in this Nation and Canada who wired and telephoned that their blood was Frank's for the asking.

The blood of the donor, rendered Streptococcus-proof by his own long fight against the disease a year before, was fed into the veins of the afflicted Warrington youth, in a little room in the Doylestown Emergency Hospital—now our very much enlarged DOYLESTOWN HOSPITAL which is in the midst of an extensive expansion plan.

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THE DONOR OF the rare blood to save Shutt's life, was Jimmy G. O'Hara, 41-year-old unemployed Philadelphia hotel worker who read of the Bucks countian's condition in one of the news dispatches that I had written for the Inquirer. O'Hara called the paper's city room to state that he was qualified and ready to help the 22-year-old victim win his fight to live and marry the girl who was nursing him through the malady.

I well remember accompanying a representative of The Inquirer bringing O'Hara to Doylestown where Dr. Moore made

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## Are Your Assets Frozen?



Jesse has been known to get himself in jams before. This time, however, he's really gone and done it! But how 'bout you? Are your assets frozen? If so . . . as a full-service bank we are in a position to loan you money for practically any purpose, and at rates you can afford! — (And if you aren't aware of the low-bank-rate at Doylestown Trust Company, come in — Mr. Jourdan of our Loan Department will be glad to "dig it up for you.")

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## RAMBLING WITH RUSS

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the necessary tests which determined the type blood possessed by O'Hara. It was not enough that O'Hara had recovered from the disease. It was necessary also that his blood be of TYPE 4, if it were to help the feverish victim who was tossing and turning in a nearby room.

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MILLIONS OF FOLKS in this country were watching the news dispatches and listening to the then rather limited radio reports. Breaths were held as our friend and neighbor Dr. Moore, who practiced in Doylestown and vicinity for 25 years, made the necessary test.

Few seemed to notice the tears of anxiety which welled up in the eyes of pretty Dorothy Bates, then an Abington Memorial Hospital nurse, whose engagement to Frank Shutt, Jr. had been announced only a few days before he was stricken. Dorothy's hand clasped that of Marietta Shutt, Frank's sister, then a North-eastern Hospital nurse who had helped in the "round the clock" bedside vigil.

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The SMILE ON Dr. Moore's face foretold his answer as he stepped from the little laboratory room.

"You're Type 4," said Dr. Moore. "You're the man we want, we will transfuse first thing in the morning."

"I'm glad," exclaimed O'Hara, "I'm glad that I can help and that I offered my blood quickly enough. I want to give every ounce of blood I can spare if it will help this young live. I know what he is going through."

O'Hara himself had been stricken with the same disease a year before. For seven long months he lay in a Naval Hospital bed. Finally, by virtue of medical skill and his own tremendous physical resources, he managed to throw off the infection which in those days, took 99 out of every 100 humans who were afflicted.

"Thank God, we have located O'Hara", declared Dr. Moore. "His blood I am certain will save Frank's life."

Whether O'Hara is still alive, we do not know. His parting words at the hospital that memorable day were something like this: "It makes you feel quite humble to be able to save a life."

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FROM OUR NOTEBOOK: It was Dr. Moore who enlisted the aid of radio stations WCAU in Philadelphia and WIBG in Glenside to broadcast this heart-tugging appeal for blood donors . . . A land plane and a seaplane were placed at Dr. Moore's disposal by Gerald Gallagher, a Philadelphia pilot, who said he would fly to any point to rush blood donors to Doylestown . . . Dr. Moore, I recall, attempted to contact Mrs. Rose McMullin, "the woman with the golden blood" who had won nationwide fame through her repeated donations of blood in just such cases . . . It was learned that Mrs. McMullin was in Oklahoma City donating blood to another victim . . . There are always unsung heroes and heroines in most outstanding conditions . . . This was no exception, for Faye Moore, wife of the good doctor, jumped into the middle of the fight for Frank's life, by manning the telephone in the doctor's office and home, which meant a 24-hour vigil, along with her home duties and the care of "three little boys", now all very successful grownups . . . I can recall that in one single day the Doylestown telephone exchange had calls for Dr. Moore from Kitchener, Ontario, Canada; San Francisco, Chicago, New Orleans and St. Louis.

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FRANK SHUTT, JR. is the son of G. LeRoy Shutt, Bristol Road, Chalfont, now living retired as a former school director and prominent Granger. G. Frank, Jr. and his wife reside at 1116 Folly Road, Warrington.

Those who offered blood as donors 22 years ago have been

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# THIS IS BUCKS COUNTY!



*A blanket of snow covers the lawn and benches at The Bucks County Court House, Doylestown. Panorama Photographer Richard Kaplinski caught this peaceful scene one evening last month. You can almost 'hear' the quiet.*



# A SHORT HISTORY

## PART ONE

Two hundred and sixty-two years ago William Penn issued a land grant to the first white settler in what is now Upper Bucks County. Griffith Jones, a Quaker from Wales, was given 6,000 acres in what was then known to the Indians as the Great Swamp, and later called by the early settlers, "Richland," because of its fertile soil.

Nine years later, in 1710, land grants were made to Peter Lester, Morris Morris, Michael Atkinson, James McVaugh and John Moore, also Quakers, who came to America seeking freedom from persecution by the Church of England. Thus began a settlement that eventually developed into a village called Quaker Town.

While the first white settlers were predominantly English and Welsh Friends (Quakers), an influx of a different element, Germans, began to establish themselves in this area, about 1730. This brought in new dialects, new religious faiths and new names, first of which were the John Bond and the John George Bachman families.



The Red Lion Inn, Broad & Main Streets in Quakertown as it appears today. (Photo by C. Norman Detweiler)



The Former Green Tree Inn on West Broad Street. Once a popular Inn, it is now a private residence. (Photo by C. N. Detweiler)



# QUAKERTOWN

by C. Norman Detweiler

The Friends were the first to establish a meetinghouse in this section of Penn's Woods. A log house was built in 1721 at the confluence of two Indian trails, now known as Johnson's Corner, where Station Road enters the old Bethlehem Pike. Prior to the building of the meetinghouse, the Quakers held services in the home of Peter Lester. With the increasing number of families locating several miles west of the original meetinghouse, a new structure of logs was erected in 1730 on the site of the present Richland Friends Meeting. Other newcomers to this area were the families of John Lester, Hugh Foulke, John Anderson, Arnal Heacock, John

Phillips, William Morris, John Richards, William Jamison, Edmund Phillips, John Ball, John Michael Lightcap, Robert Gerrard, William Allen, Benjamin Werley and Nicholas Austin.

With the increase in population an addition was built to the meetinghouse in 1795 and this served the worshippers until 1862 when the log house was torn down and a structure of stone erected. The Friends were pioneers also in the field of education and built the first schoolhouse in 1773. The log school was replaced with a red brick building in 1860 and this is still in use today as a First Day School. To preserve the weather-beaten bricks the build-

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This painting, done by the author, shows The Richland Friends Meeting House and School at Quakertown.



Liberty Hall as it looked in 1908. The Liberty Bell spent a nite here on it's way to Allentown to avoid capture by the British.



The sign at the entrance to Richland Friends Meetings Quakertown. (Photo by C. N. Detweiler)





# *Early American Schoolhouse*

by Virginia Castleton

The road winds around and away from the white stone building nestled in the hollow of the curve. One could almost ignore the building's presence; or at the most, associate it with its charming bucolic scene. Sleek bodied cows graze peacefully in the pasture nearby. The growing autumn breeze rustles through the drying cornstalks across the road, and the sun adds only warm silence to the scene.

Gone are the boisterous

shouts of noon-time school children; evaporated with time is the wisp of smoke curling with long fingers toward the sky. The valley resounds with silence and the questing youngsters are gone. For the Deep Run school has long since closed its doors to that far away past.

The school that served so long is now a building near a grave-yard, and automobiles hurtling around the highway are passing a part of early

American history without being aware of it.

But there were shouts aplenty in the year 1746 when, with tremendous effort the surrounding countryside rallied to the need of a Church and school. As one, the Mennonites of the area gathered in strength and felled the trees to provide the needed logs. They raised the logs into position; layered and mud-chinked them weather-tight. The good and kindly women contributed their labors

to produce cauldrons of steaming food for whetted appetites.

Once completed, the building was well used by the community of Mennonites. During the week youngsters filed through the doorway, no doubt to the tune of the proverbial hickory stick. On the Sabbath the use gave way to a meeting place for Services.

The years drifted by and the clearing around the primitive cabin grew. Sadly, the grave-yard just outside grew also as



members passed away and were laid to rest around the small cabin many had helped raise. By 1840 the needs of the community were such that the little log cabin was demolished. Just down the hill from the cemetery where the headstones have tulip designs, strong men added stone to stone and the building one sees today as one follows the highway is the 1842 schoolhouse. Within the spacious one room building there was a row of double desks around three sides, with one row of benches next to the wall. The inside row had their backs toward the center of the room, so the two rows of scholars faced each other. When the students on the back row wanted to reach their seats, or vacate them, they frequently had to vault over the desks. Made of wooden slabs, the benches had two legs at each end fastened into the slabs by auger holes.

Indian summer was an idyllic time in the Deep Run school. As the future farmers bent their heads over their primers and young girls dreamed over their slates, the drowsy warmth disappeared and was replaced by cooler breezes and then the blankets of snow. Now the larger boys were required to do more than study. It was their duty to saw and split the hickory wood during the morning and noon hours. There was no payment for their services; nor did the older boys question

this. Life was a struggle, whether learning A, B, C's or keeping warm.

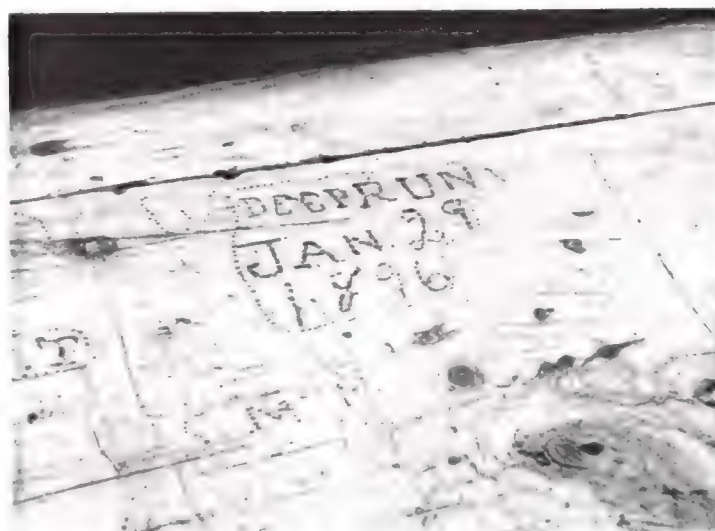
Being a Deutsche Schule (German School), the studies were composed of the a, b, c's, buchstabieren, lesen, schreiben und singen. (Alphabet, Spelling, Reading, Writing and Singing).

The school term was five months of 24 days actual teaching. But life in early America not being easy, many pupils could not attend more than half the term. Special attention was paid to the music which consisted German songs selected from the hymnbook. Still existent on one of the exposed beams overhead, and facing the class, one can see the musical staffs carved into the wood by some long ago teacher. There is a poignant reaction as one looks at the notes that sang across the beam to a time dissolved audience.

The scarred desks carved here and there with eternal initials of some long ago youngster, still stand in line in the room. The musical staffs on the overhead beam remain for a ghostly audience. Deep set windows stare out over the pastureland in which the abandoned school sits. Beyond the windows lie the hill where so many have gone to rest, carrying with them memories of the melody on the beam; the sweet warmth of hickory fires, and knowledge of the early American schooldays.



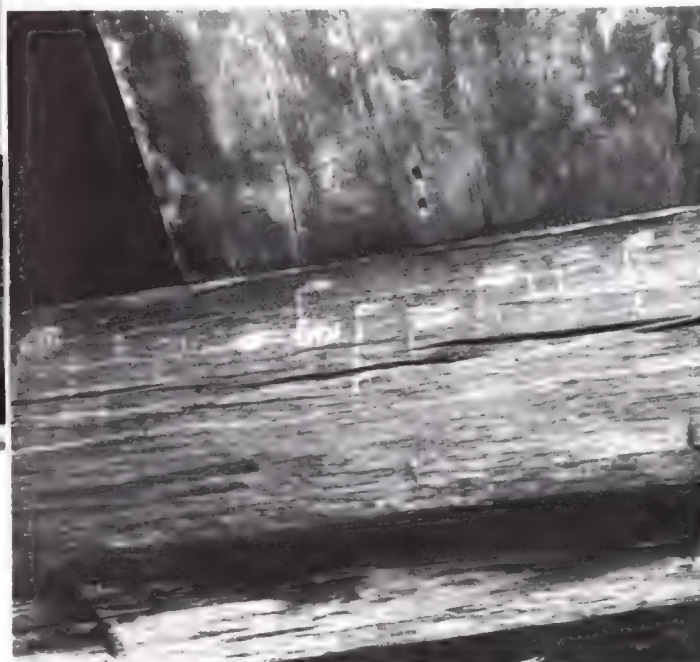
One of the original old school desks in the school.



One enterprising student didn't have enough work to do on "Jan. 29, 1896," as he carved the date in the desk top along with the name of the school, "Deep Run".



The photo above shows the interior of the school as it looks today. With the exception of electric lights and newly plastered walls, the building and interior has remained unchanged in a half century. At right we see another relic of the past. A teacher drew a musical staff and notes on one of the beams to teach the children music. It still remains today. Can anyone pick out the tune? (All photos by Bourke Mason)





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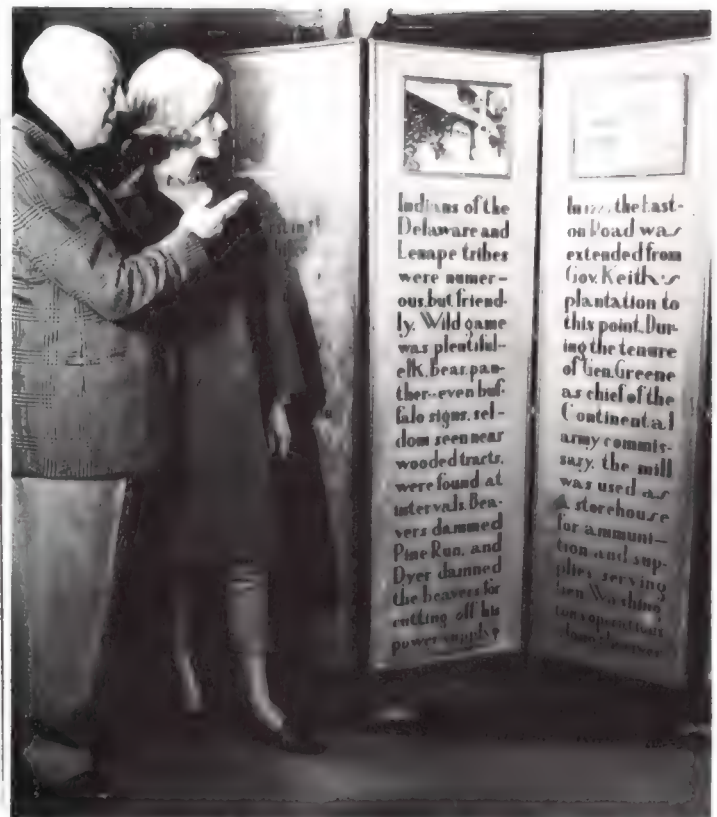


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John Corcoran, host of the Water Wheel Inn, north of Doylestown on Old Route 611, shows off a recent gift of historical importance to the local hotel, to Jule Renner of Perkasio. The gift is a set of 4 panels telling some of the early history of the Inn, with several old photos mounted on top of the panels. Several interesting notes from the panel include . . .

"... Wild game was plentiful (in the early days) — elk, bear, panther, even buffalo signs, seldom seen near wooded tracts, were found at intervals. Beavers dammed Pine Run and Dyer (who was the owner at the time) damned the beaver for cutting off his power supply."

The sign also states that it was from the Water Wheel Inn that Moses Doan, the noted Bucks County Outlaw departed for Trenton to warn the Hessians that General Washington was planning an attack.

The panels are on display for visitors at the Water Wheel Inn.  
(Panorama Photo by Richard Kaplinski)



Washington chose Valley Forge for his headquarters partly because of the nearness of food supplies from Pennsylvania-German farms.

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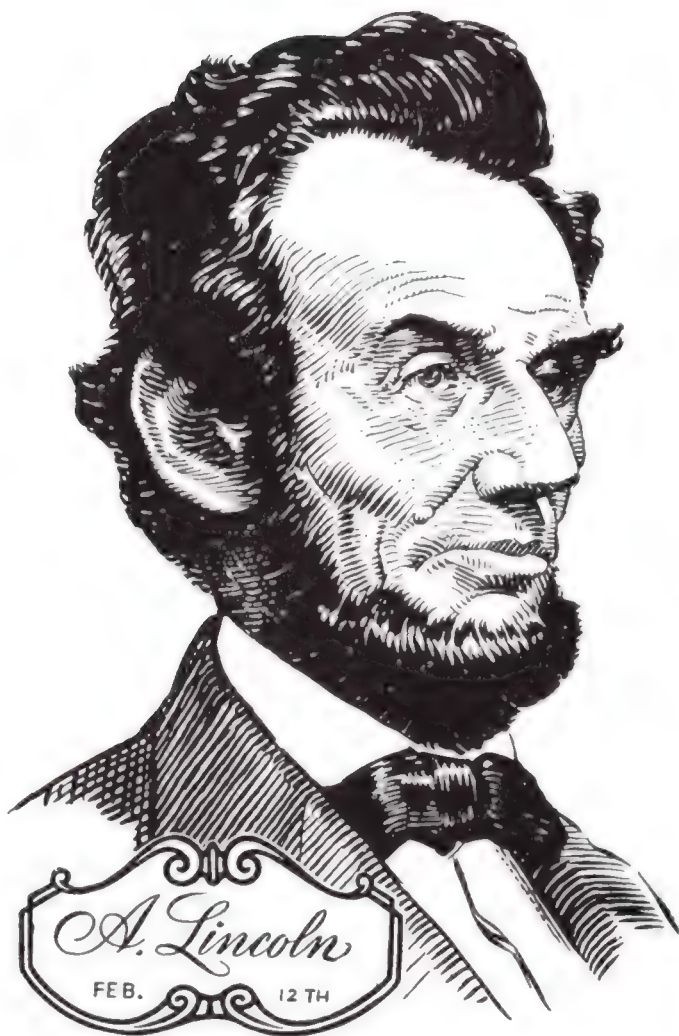
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It isn't your position that makes you happy or unhappy. It's your disposition.

A man too often shows his worst side to his better half.

An egotist is a person who is always "me" deep in conversation.





# I SLEPT IN THE MURDERED LINCOLN'S BED

by  
Adi-Kent Thomas Jeffrey

I have a bright cheerful home in southern Bucks County. For the fifteen years I have lived there, I have loved every corner of it. Except one. The antique walnut spool bed in the guest room.

For two years after purchasing it at an auction, the bed brought sadness to me every time I looked at it. Finally, I painted it gay white. It never quite broke the shivering spell. When I slept in it myself upon occasion, I would have a heavy, restless sleep.

Then one day, all of a sudden, I knew why.

It was an exact duplicate of a bed in which I slept many years ago in a small back room of an old brick house on Tenth Street N. W. in Washington, D. C. Opposite this house stood an old square-faced building that had been a Baptist church in the early 1800s. During the Civil War, it had been converted into a theatre, Ford's Theatre.

The little brick house where I stayed was originally a boarding house owned by a William Petersen. On the first floor, easily accessible and in the rear of the house, overlooking a yard filled with lilac bushes, was one of Petersen's most frequently occupied rooms because of its convenience.

John Matthews, an actor, rented the room at one time, while he was in a show playing at the theatre across the street. On one occasion, he was visited by a fellow actor who stretched his handsome frame out along the elaborate coverlet and chatted away while smoking a pipe. That man was John Wilkes Booth.

The bed was only beginning to make history.

One Friday evening, the fourteenth of April in the closing year of the Civil War, 1865, one of the persons in the Petersen house heard a commotion across the street. The play, "Our American Cousin," was not yet over, yet the doors were open and people scattering into the street. He opened the door into the mild April air, heavy with the sweet scent of lilacs. He stood on the tiny porch and stared.

Coming out of the theatre doors now came a tight knot of men. They were carrying a long, black-garbed form that drooped like a huge wilted pine branch. The man supporting the head of the listless form spoke like a doctor. He warned the others not to jog the form.

In minutes they were coming up the porch stairs.

"There! Ahead! That room at the end of the hall!"

The doctor motioned the order with a shake of his head.

The group pushed to the back room, now rented by a young soldier from Massachusetts, William Clark.

The men laid the long form diagonally across the bed, the bed being too short to accommodate him otherwise.

And there, on a low four-posted walnut spool bed that had supported actors, loved ones . . . and even a murderer . . . lay dying one of the world's great men . . . Abraham Lincoln.

And there, in that same corner, with the same brownish striped wallpaper and the same reminiscent odor of lilacs floating in through the open spring windows, that very bed supported me . . . many years later.

William Petersen sold his house some time after the tragedy to a Louis Schade. Schade sold it to the Government in 1897. The government preserved it as a memorial to the martyred president. Four years before, a new resident had already moved into the old Peterson house, at the request of the Memorial Association of the District of Columbia: a man named Osborn H. Oldroyd. Oldroyd had been an active fan of Lincoln's since a young boy, working hard for him in his presidential campaign of 1860. The following year, young Osborn Oldroyd entered the army, little dreaming that his beginning collection of Lincolniana would someday become one of the world's greatest and largest.

During the war years he met and became close friends with George Rowe in the Union forces. They became such fast friends through the long years to follow that George Rowe's children and grandchildren came to be a part of him and his own family. After George's death, Osborn Oldroyd kept George's family even closer to his heart. George's grandchildren loved nothing better than their visits to the little old brick house on Tenth St. N. W.

Except the youngest.

A great sadness would come over me whenever I entered his house. Giving me the great honor of sleeping in the very bed and room where Lincoln died, gave me a sense of awe.

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**Lincoln**

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yes, but an unspeakable sadness.

To this day I can see the brown-toned striped wallpaper, the pictures on the wall, . . . "The Village Blacksmith," and a photograph of Rosa Bonheur's "Horse Fair." There were two smaller pictures, too . . . one of "The Stable" and one of a "Barn Yard."

Mr. Petersen must have liked horses, I decided.

Surely, Mr. Lincoln did too. But he never saw these pictures I reflected while lying there on those several occa-

sions. Mr. Lincoln never saw the pictures, nor the wallpaper, nor the shivering gas light just as I was seeing them. He never realized the more than sixty people that came in and out of the room that fateful night. He never saw the ashen face, nor heard the cries of Mrs. Lincoln. By 7:22 the morning of April 15, 1865, he was dead.

All these things he never saw.

But I saw them in the very air of that room where I slept in that be-shadowed bed.

Today the bed stands in the Chicago Historical Society.

But on sad April days when the rain is falling softly, the old spool bed in my Bucks County house tells the same heartbreak story of the murder of a man named Lincoln . . . and of his slow death in a little back room in a brick house on Tenth Street in Washington, D. C.



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# PLAIN and FANCY COOKING

Harriet Fox, Woman's Page Editor



## GOOD OLD DAYS?

Coffee breaks are the rule in 8 out of 10 offices today, according to a survey by the National Office Management Association, and 75 per cent allow smoking without restriction. In addition, 65 per cent give Christmas parties, and 40 per cent hold summer picnics. If that doesn't seem like progress for the white collar clan, here are some rules that a Bucks County company posted in October, 1863.

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5. After 13 hours labor in the office, the employee should spend the remaining time reading the Bible and other good books.
6. An employee who smokes cigars, uses liquor in any form, or frequents pool rooms or public halls, or gets shaved in a barber shop, will be giving good reason to suspect his worth, intentions, integrity and honesty.
7. The employee who has performed his labors faithfully and without fault for five years will be given an increase of five cents per day in his pay, provided profits from business will permit it.

## Bucks Woman Writes Book On Flower Painting

A Bucks County resident, Clara Barnes of Perkasio RD, is the author of a book published by Reinhold Publishing Company on November 1—"PAINTING FLOWERS FOR PLEASURE."

The book offers a fresh, simplified approach to painting by an artist who has gained wide recognition for her charming flower paintings and portraits.

Clara Barnes presents the basic elements and techniques of oil painting with both clarity and enthusiasm. Her love of flowers and joy in painting are evident throughout. Among the topics she explores are basic forms, brush strokes, composition, color mixing, painting methods, tools and materials.

The informative text is complemented by more than 100 illustrations in black and white and by eight pages of paintings in full color. Numerous quotations on the subject of flowers

and painting by writers ranging from Wordsworth to Winston Churchill add to the appeal of the book.

A unique feature is a section entitled "Minor Miracles of Decoration." Suggestions include painting flowers directly on a wall, hanging flower paintings in combination with other decorative objects, and using the "trompe l'oeil" or "fool-the-eye" principles to make a narrow room look wider or a dark corner brighter. Each "minor miracle of decoration" is illustrated by examples that have been successfully carried out. Many are photographed in actual homes.

Of particular interest to Panorama readers are illustrations of home interiors of local residents and reproductions of flower paintings by other area artists.

The chapter on "Minor Miracles of Decoration" shows

groupings of flower paintings and other art objects in the homes of Mr. & Mrs. D. L. Combs, Quakertown RD, and Mr. & Mrs. Graham Place, Erwinna. Local artists whose works are reproduced are Charles T. Coiner, Mechanicsville, Paul W. Darrow, Spring Valley, and Stirling Spadea, Tinticum.

In private life, Mrs. Barnes is the wife of Harold S. Barnes, a former advertising executive. They live in an old stone farmhouse in the Deep Run section of Bedminster Township that dates back to 1730. Prior to becoming a Bucks County resident in 1957, Mrs. Barnes had a highly successful career as a commercial artist under the name of Clara Ernst. She is a graduate of the School of Industrial Arts, Philadelphia, and later studied at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts and at the Art Students League, New York.



Photographed in the home of Mr. & Mrs. D. L. Combs. This lovely wall arrangement is composed entirely of flowers. They are represented in every possible color medium—oil, watercolor, gouache, prints, even embroidery. The tiny pattern in the gray wall paper makes an interesting background that helps to unify the group.



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U. S. Government Securities.....	5,234,282.29
Bonds and Investments.....	2,284,897.73
Banking House and Fixtures.....	488,285.83
Loans and Discounts.....	11,200,822.14
Other Assets.....	18,300.85
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	\$21,597,101.20

## LIABILITIES

Capital.....	\$ 420,000.00
Surplus.....	1,200,000.00
Undivided Profits.....	384,406.46
Reserve for Contingencies.....	50,000.00
Deposits.....	19,337,836.71
Other Liabilities.....	204,858.03
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Dividends Paid Since Organization..... \$ 2,452,876.90

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## SPORTS CARS ON ICE

Harrisburg, Feb. -- Sports car racing on ice, the most novel and newest winter sport, is now in its sixth season in Pennsylvania's Pocono Mountains, the Pennsylvania Department of Commerce says.

Naomi Lake on Route 940 at Pocono Pines is ice racing headquarters, setting for the only course of its kind in the United States. Here, where sailboats cruise in the summer, cars race across the ice at speeds up to 115 miles per hour. Races are held Sundays only, weather permitting, until Spring.

Heats will be run in four classes, with front wheel drive cars in a special bracket. In the past, front wheel cars have dominated the races.

The race course at Lake Naomi is two and a half miles long, varying in width from 50 feet to a quarter mile. It features a one mile straight, two 90 degree turns, a fast chicane and a sweeping 180-degree turn.

Ideal conditions for ice racing are a week of very cold weather with rain and snow mixture; then on the day of the race, bright sunshine and a temperature of about 25 degrees.

Several cars have been clocked at better than 100 mph with the average speed from 80 to 85 mph. Information is available from Ice Racing Enterprises, Pocono Pines, Penna.

The Pennsylvania Rifle, popularly called the "Kentucky Rifle," was invented and first used in Pennsylvania. The Conestoga Wagon, made famous in the western United States as the "prairie schooner" was invented in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. The Stetson hat, also made famous in the western United States, was first made in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Stephen Foster, famous for his southern folk songs, was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Chambersburg, Pennsylvania (present population, 18,000) was burned by the Confederate Army one year after the Battle of Gettysburg. When a ransom of \$100,000 in gold could not be met, Confederate troops under the command of Gen. John McCausland set fire to the town, destroying 537 buildings.

## Rambling With Russ

Continued from Page 9

catalogued in alphabetical order at the Doylestown Hospital. The names of persons with TYPE 4 Streptococcus Viridans Blood, have been kept on file at the local hospital. For a long time this record was the very first of its kind compiled in the United States.

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FRANK SHUTT, JR. returned to his Warrington Home in Doylestown's O. P. James Memorial Ambulance on January 12, 1941 as Doylestown Emergency Hospital's No. 1 Booster. His lone companion on that ride home was the girl who helped him to win his fight for life.

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# Racing Motors

by  
Paul and Marion Ely

Another sports car season is history. The champions of the various classes and activities have received their awards. New committees and chairmen are being appointed. Plans and dates are being made for events for the coming season. Checking the National championship standings of the 16 classes of sport car racing, we find Philadelphia Region drivers won 4 classes, two second places and three fourth places. These winners include, Roger Penske class D modified champion, Bert Everett class D production champion, Howard Hanna class F production champion, and Bob Holbert and his famous Porsche RS 61, the class E modified champion. In the National Rally Championship, the overall winners are the Smith's from Texas; Dr. & Renee O'Leary of Newark, Delaware, are tied for second place with Don Kirkpatrick of Conshohocken and Dick Norton of Reading with 6 points each.

In the local rally championship schedule, namely the Appalachian Trail series and the Pennsylvania Rally Championship Assn., the overall winners of both series are Josephine and Cliff Murray of Haverford. Second place in the P.R.C.A. are Ed Blumenthal and Don Kirkpatrick, while second place in the Trail series went to Denny Koelmel and Renee O'Leary. Our heartiest congratulations to all the new champions and runners up.

The recent road race held at the Greater Reading Airport was so well received by the authorities, contestants, and the spectators that there are rumors they will try for dates for two events next year. Considering it was a first time for the course and the organizers, it did go off quite well with but a minimum of errors and delays. Nearly every race was closely contested and interesting.

**Seat Belt Plug.** Recently a car left the road and rolled

over on its top directly in front of us; both doors flew open and the car was rather badly damaged. Fortunately, the couple were both using seat belts and neither received as much as a scratch.

At the present time there are two American cars that are equipped with seat belts as standard equipment. In 1964 there will be at least four states that will require seat belts in the front seat of all new models. It's a good idea for all drivers. How about you?

**Car Facts.** There are thirteen less makes of foreign-made cars being imported to the states than there were fifteen months ago. Sales of imported models have fallen off nearly twenty per cent in this period of time, and are still falling. In dollars, American-made cars being exported far exceed the imports. 1962 production figures show Volkswagen in second place in world production with Ford Motor Co. dropping down to third place. In 1961 Japan moved into fifth place of the top automobile producing countries, replacing Italy. Order of standings now are: U.S.A., West Germany, Britain, France, Japan, and Italy.

Had an opportunity to drive the new Studebaker Advanti, and it was a pleasant experience. On a straight road the car is very deceiving as you get no sensation of speed. You will have to watch the speedometer constantly to stay out of trouble with the law. It is a fine car for turnpike use, but would have trouble staying with much smaller cars on the winding secondary road of Bucks County.

Look for some more all brand new models from Detroit before the end of this year.

Sports car races on the ice are being held every Sunday until March 15 at Lake Naomi. Lots of fun for all. Space gone for this issue. See you on the highway.

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Judy Smith of Doylestown



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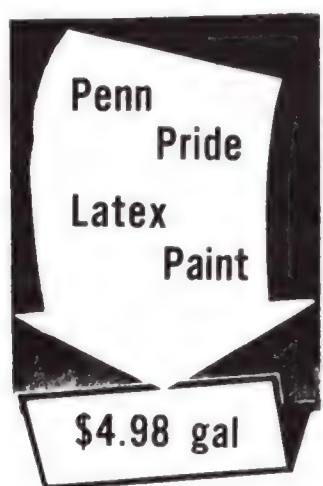
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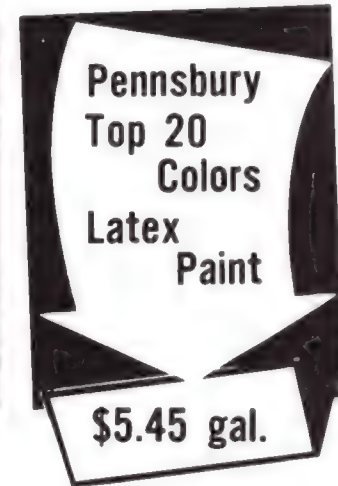
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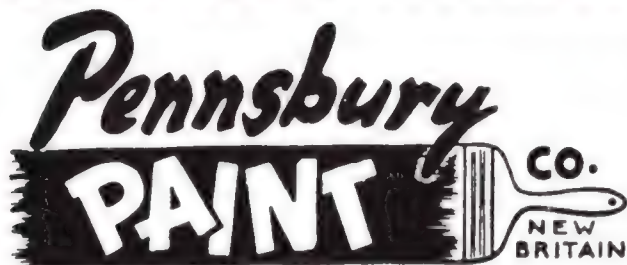
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## Around The County



February 1963

Back from vacation, we are ready for another exciting year behind the editor's desk, bringing Panorama readers another twelve full issues of Bucks County news, history and lore.

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Our vacation was spent at The Lighthouse Cove Resort Apartments, on the Ocean, in Pompano Beach, Florida. This is a most delightful spot, and if you plan a Sunny Florida vacation, The Lighthouse Cove should be your address.

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Glancing through the Miami Herald one morning, an advertisement for Burdine's Department Store caught our eye. They had a special offer on "Hex Signs" to decorate garages, patios, etc. Our Pennsylvania Dutch influence is felt all the way down in Miami.

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We were listening to the radio one evening, and lo and behold whose voice should come through the loudspeaker but our good friend and former Doylestown resident JERRY WICHNER. Jerry is program director at WINZ in Miami. We telephoned him and had a nice chat reminiscing about when we were fellow announcers at WBUX. Jerry wanted us to remember him to all his many friends here in Bucks County.

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In a future Publisher's Column, we will go into some of the interesting facets of our trip, but now let's get back to Bucks County and see what has been going on.

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According to the papers, LEONARD BERNSTEIN could re-write his hit musical "West Side Story" with a Bucks County setting. On a recent Saturday afternoon three "gangs" of hoodlums invaded the Levittown Shopping Center and had themselves a "rumble." More than 200 boys from the gangs, named "Conservatives", "Ivy Leagues" and the "Jives", complete with switch blade knives, black jacks and all the other "toys of the hoodlum trade", terrorized the Center until police finally got the situation under control. The fight started over quarrels about the relative merits of their styles of dress, which correspond to each gang's name. It's so peaceful in the country, ain't?

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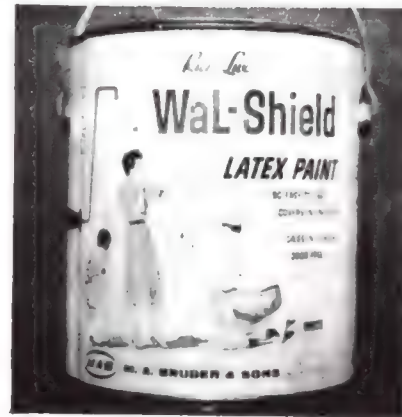
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Philadelphia's leading radio - TV newsman, CHARLES SHAW, a resident of New Hope, has been appointed editor of the Bucks County Gazette at New Hope, taking over from our good friend ALLEN WARD. Best of luck.

The Bucks County Chapter of Muscular Dystrophy, with headquarters at Bristol, recently purchased two wheel chairs for two Bucks County children of the same family, who have never walked. This group does fine work and deserves our support. They are sponsoring a dinner dance to aid the MD campaign on March 30 at The Langhorne Country Club. Information on this and other MD projects may be had by phoning WI 6-7811.

The Ninth Annual "Booster Sports Night" is scheduled for March 1, 1963 and it promises to be a gala affair. The program includes a basketball game between the faculty of CBHS vs. Lenape/Tamanend faculty; The color guard and majorettes will give a performance; the wrestling team will present an exhibition; A twist contest for students; the crowning of the "Sports Queen"; and a sock hop for the students. It sounds like a real "swinger", so try to make it.

EDWIN W. ARMSTRONG of nearby Lansdale was recently honored for a half century of service with the Boy Scouts. Congratulations!

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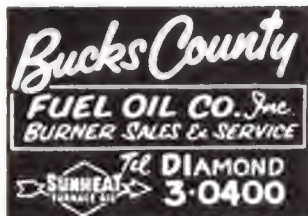
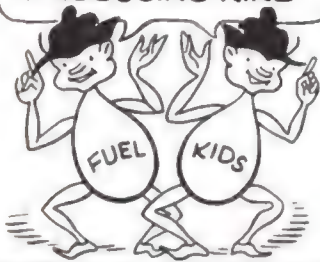
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A note from HOWARD ARNOLD, Secretary of The Greater Bucks County Fair tells us the 1963 Fair will be held August 20 to 24, 1963 on grounds adjacent to the Quakertown Farmers Market, Station Road, Quakertown. The 1963 Fair expects to attract about 150,000 persons. Howard notes that they are now leasing space for the exhibits. Anyone interested may contact Howard Arnold at Silverdale, Pa.

The DELAWARE VALLEY PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA will present their next concert on Saturday evening, March 9, 1963 at 8 P.M., at The Woodrow Wilson High School, Green Lane at Mill Creek Road, Levittown. The program will feature works by Mendelssohn, Beethoven, Fry and Stephenac. Adult tickets are \$1.25, and student tickets at just 75 cents. Mark that date on the calendar so you won't miss this fine group.

Thanks to MARGUERITE E. RICKERS of San Clemente, California for her very nice complimentary note and card. It was appreciated.

Our Puerto Rico correspondent sends us news of Bucks Countians on that island. Mr. & Mrs. JOE COFFEY, formerly of Churchville, have moved to P.R. Also, Miss JOY FROME of Newtown is spending an extended vacation with Mr. & Mrs. WILLIAM FROME. Thanks to ROBIN FROME for this bit of "international news" for us folks "Around the County".

Point Pleasant book store owner and former State Police sergeant JOHN P. MITCHELL of Doylestown has recently become a licensed private investigator. He will conduct his Private Detective Agency at 198 Shewell Avenue, Doylestown, Pa.

A STAFF MEMBER "Bites The Dust"! Congratulations to Miss BOBBIE ELY of the Panorama office staff on her forthcoming marriage to FRITZ TROMULER of Fountainville.

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## Around Town

A note for your calendar from the Bucks County Antique Dealers Association, The Third Annual Antiques Show will be held at The Key Rolarama in Doylestown on April 18, 19, and 20th. Mark the date down and be sure to attend.

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. TONY OTT who recently 'tied the knot'.

The Chalfont Fire Company re-elected CHARLES POOLE as president and ARTHUR DRACK as Fire Chief for 1963.

JOSEPH D. CEADER of Reigelsville has been appointed President of Oxford Electric Corporation in Chicago. Mr. Ceader has been Chairman of the Board. He is immediate past president of The Bucks County Industrial Development Corporation.

The Bucks County Historical Society will make an admission charge to the Mercer Museum beginning February 1, 1963. Director LEONARD JOHNSON made the announcement at a press conference recently. Our only comment is that it is well worth a visit no matter what the admission price is, and it should have been inaugurated some time ago.

Many Bucks Countians will be going to The Philadelphia Home Show April 1-6 at The Philadelphia Trade and Convention Center, 34th & Spruce Streets. The show is sponsored by the Home Builders Association of Philadelphia.

During Founder's Day at Delaware Valley College of Science and Agriculture on January 16, 1963, the college conferred an honorary Doctor of Science degree on its President, JAMES WORK.

Our thanks to "the grand old man of radio," KARL BOEHRINGER of Silverdale, who recently had Panorama Historical Editor ROY KULP and Publisher DICK ALLIGER, as guests on his WBUX radio show.



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...in Who's Who!

DAVID R. ELDRIDGE, president of Eldridge, Inc. Advertising Agency of near-by Trenton has been selected to be listed in the 1963 edition of "Who's Who in Advertising", compiled by Haire Publishing Co., New York. Mr. Eldridge and his family live in Lower Makefield Township here in Bucks County.

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We have "the word" that Company D, Pennsylvania National Guard, with headquarters at the Armory in Doylestown will hold their annual encampment at Camp A. P. Hill in Virginia this summer. By the way, Company D has a few openings for young men who have a military obligation to fulfill, and who don't wish to be away from home too long. Contact the Recruiting Officer at the Armory in Doylestown for further information.

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Panorama Historical Editor ROY C. KULP, and publisher DICK ALLIGER were recent guests on the radio program "Luncheon at John Wanamaker" on WIFI Radio Station of Philadelphia. Host BUZZ ALLEN conducted the interview.

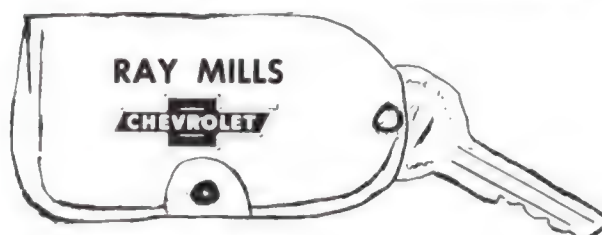
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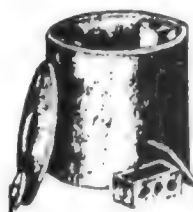
Also, we should offer belated congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. ROBERT KEISER of Plumbsteadville on the birth of their son. The boy arrived in time to become an income tax deduction for '62, so I guess double congratulations are due.

Miss SHIRLEY S. STINE has recently been appointed Director of the School of Nursing at Grandview Hospital in Sellersville. Congratulations!

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## QUAKERTOWN

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ing several years ago was given a coating of white cement.

Richland Library, third oldest in the United States, was founded by the Quakers in 1795, and is now located in one of the older houses on Main Street. Its shelves contain many rare and valuable volumes as well as manuscripts, also current best sellers and leading magazines.

Situated as it was along the stage coach road from Philadelphia to Bethlehem, the Quaker settlement grew in the vicinity of the meetinghouse, and in addition to private homes there followed the building of an inn a short distance away. According to Scull's map of 1770, the public house of Walter McCool was erected about 1750 at the intersection of the stage coach road and an Indian trail leading from the Lehigh Mountain eastward through this section to the lower end of Bucks County.

The Red Lion Inn, in continuous operation since its establishment before the Revolution, was originally a two-story stone building with traditional attic. Today it is a three-story hotel, it having been enlarged three times. Today the main dining room is in the original part of the historic old inn.

Not far from this hotel another tavern was later built, called the Green Tree Inn. Its original sign, bearing the painting of a lone pine tree, is now on exhibit in the Bucks County Historical Society Museum in Doylestown. This house today, in excellent state of preservation, is a private dwelling.

Diagonally across the street from the Red Lion an enterprising Quaker by the name of William Green established a country store in 1800. Until not too many years ago, this store, under various owners, was operated as a general store, but today it houses a jewelry business. Adjacent to the Green store was a two-story stone house behind which, legend has it, the Liberty Bell was hidden one night while being taken from Philadelphia to Allentown to escape capture by the British. The teamsters and Continental soldiers tethered their horses nearby and the men are said to have put up for the night at the Red Lion Inn. The house has since been called Liberty Hall and today is occupied by a barber shop.

Early historical happenings, it seems, centered around the village inn, and the Red Lion, a stage coach stop in those days, was just such a place. In addition to the Liberty Bell episode it also is connected historically with the Fries rebellion in 1798, so named after John Fries, a Milford Manor auctioneer, who led a group of settlers in refusing to pay a window tax levied by the Federal government to help finance the Revolution. Fries, after inciting rebellion in this and neighboring counties, was finally caught after a detachment of a thousand cavalrymen were sent here from Philadelphia to take him into custody.

Fries was crying a public sale nearby when someone warned him about the approaching troops. Jumping from the barrel on which he was standing, and followed by his pet dog called "Whiskey," he fled to the woods in the vicinity of what was then Bunker Hill, now Rich Hill. It was "Whiskey" that led to Fries' capture, the dog letting out a yelp as a trooper rode by. Dragged from the bushes Fries was placed under arrest and taken to Philadelphia where he was tried, convicted of treason and sentenced to be hanged. The date was set, and the specified site was the crossroads at the Red Lion Inn. The gallows was erected, but the day before the day of execution Fries was pardoned by President John Adams and allowed to return to his family.

(Next month, Quaker Town is named)



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lighting in automobiles, and if the kid had to get out there and walk the Daily Intelligencer would get to the suburbs as frequently as the annual Sears catalogue.

Maybe it all started on the boardwalk at Atlantic City. First came the rolling chairs, eliminating the need to walk on the boardwalk. And then engineers put motors on the rolling chairs and it became possible to get nowhere faster. This gave birth to the golf course go-cart and the home escalator (and don't tell me home escalators are for cardiac patients . . . cardiac patients can't afford heart attacks AND home escalators.). The natural result of all this non-walking has been the suburban shopping center, a parking lot amusement park of thrills and chills for adults where the sport consists of getting off your cowardly feet as fast as possible and defending yourself behind the wheel like a men. So popular have these do-it-yourself drag strips become that city fathers (not to mention any names!) are desperately competing with one another in turning every major down-town community into one vast shoot-the-shoots. I can now park, not only in front of my favorite store, but IN my favorite store. It sure eliminates a lot of walking and a lot of other things . . . like the store that used to be there.

Strangely (and unhappily) enough, when my wife and I really want to walk, uninhibited, we take off to the canyons of New York City. It is possible to walk for miles in the maze of Manhattan, undisturbed. One misses the fresh air, the bucolic Bucks County landscape but at least in the big city, when a taxi comes barreling down upon you, you can apply thumb to nose and know for certain that you are not offending the sensitivities of some neighbor idiot who insists on driving you to Earl's pump.

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## LETTERS...



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You are to be congratulated on your fine community spirit and great help.

Adolph A. Andrews  
Campaign Director  
Bucks County Chapter  
March of Dimes

*Ed. Note — The following letter arrived at Panorama too late to be included in our February issue with our Lincoln story, but we felt it so interesting, we would publish it this month. In the April issue of Panorama Adi-Kent Jeffrey will have another interesting story on Lincoln.*

To Panorama:

I heard my father, Charles Lloyd, tell about the days he spent in Washington, D. C.

He remembered President Lincoln being shot.

For a time, he had no job. So, he rented a little shop and made oyster stews. He also bought a set of shoe making tools, to mend shoes on the side, to make ends meet.

It was spring and business was dull. This day he felt an

urge to take a walk. So he walked out into the country and came to a farm where they were planting corn. He stood and watched, and got a job helping plant the corn. The job continued until the corn was three blades high.

The lady said one day, "Charles, we won't need you for awhile. We will let you know when".

Spring ended, summer ended. One fine September morning that corn field was on his mind, so he went walking again, and what a beautiful field of corn he found. He went up to the house of the woman who had hired him earlier in the spring. He found the house empty and the farm deserted. He ran as fast as he could to get off the place. He found out later that the woman he had helped was a Mrs. Suratt, who had been charged with aiding in the assassination of President Lincoln, and had been taken away and hanged.

— Lulu Lloyd  
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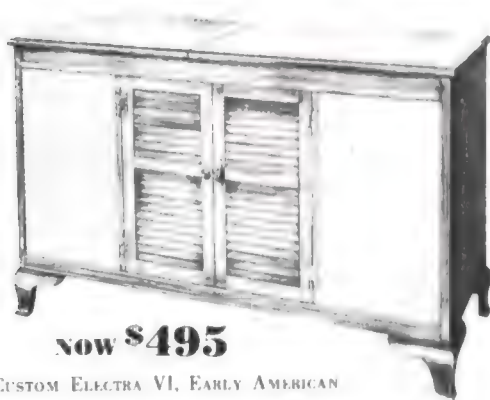
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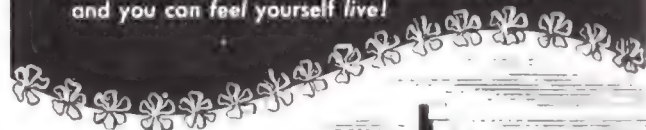
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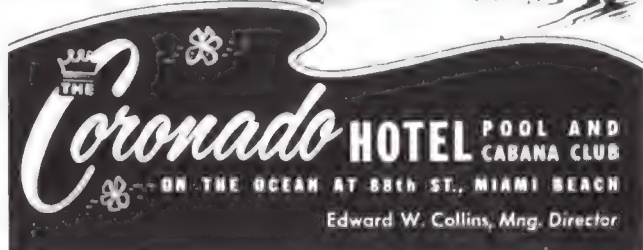
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## Folklore

by Bart Williams

### HAPPY NEW YEAR ... IT'S MARCH!

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You wouldn't be the only colonist with the problem, either. Councilmen, constables, ministers had a king-sized problem too... King George II size, that is. In most of Europe the new year commenced January first, but in Britain, Ireland, Scotland and the American colonies it began on the 25th of March. For those who had to date documents... well, as I say friends, they had a problem. King George said t'was one year... the continent of Europe said t'was already the next year!

Even mothers were in a quandry. What year was the little lad born? This confused James Madison's mother to such a degree, she never did get it clear in her mind and consequently posterity never has either. But Mary Ball Washington had more on the ball (naturally) and recorded little George's birth in the family Bible thus: "born ye 11th day of February 1731 1/2". This made everybody happy. For those who began the year January 1, he was born in 1732; for those who used the March 25th new year, he was born in 1731. Mary Washington wasn't the only bright

lass... everybody involved in recording dates used the fraction method or "double-dating" as it was called.

You may have noted further discrepancies, me lads and lasses... Washington born the 11th of February? Aye, the calendar of the colonies had further problems. All of them dated back to the very beginnings of the development of the present calendar, to the days of early Rome.

Prior to the Christian era a calendar was established based on the solar year... that is based from equinox to equinox when the days and nights were of equal length. The seasons of the year were meant to fall uniformly. This did not occur for several reasons. One, mathematical calculations were incorrect; two, the Roman pontiffs changed the months according to their whims. If it suited their political purposes to extend a term of office... or shorten it... they simply dropped off a month or two, or added them. This really caused confusion in the Forum and along the Appian Way I can tell you. Farmers were planting seed in the summer and reaping it in the winter! When Julius Caesar made plans for a little summer vacation according to the calendar, the bathing in the Mediterranean must have been a shock... it was actually the spring of the year!

Naturally this state of affairs couldn't go on indefinitely. By the third Consulate of the reign of Caius Julius Caesar, the ruler put in two months between November and December, bringing the calendar to conform with the seasons. He then obtained the assistance of a famous Egyptian mathematician, Sosigenes, and the solar year was calculated well-nigh to perfect. It was fixed at 365 days and 6 hours. To make allowance for the hours an additional day was added every four years. The first of the year was placed in March with the spring equinox. Thus by the year 45 BC the present arrangement got under way.

By the year 1582, however, it was found that Caesar's calendar was erroneous. The vernal equinox was falling

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## THE PUBLIC DEMAND!

After many years of unheeded pleas by motorists, (taxpayers and voters) our fine state of Pennsylvania finally decided to do something about "Bucks County headache Number One" — U. S. Route 611 between Doylestown and the Montgomery County line. For years it has been patched and repatched until now even the patches have been patched.

Now work has started and the word is that by November of this year we will have a fine four lane highway emptying into Doylestown's two lane Main Street.

We have gone through one of the worst winters on record and all roads have suffered terribly — not the least "good old 611". Route 611 has been reduced to "rubble" and giant holes that not only make the road impossible to drive on, but perhaps the most unsafe road in the U.S.A. Pot holes measuring up to 12" deep are the rule rather than the exception. The temporary "run arounds" built while the new bridges are being constructed turned to rubble before they were even opened to regular traffic.

Granted, by November we will have a nice new road. Hooray for that! However, how many of us will be around to enjoy this new road. How many of us will have cars able to be driven by then. (In 5 trips from Doylestown to Neshaminy we personally lost 2 tires and punctured a muffler.) A safe speed is between 5 and 10 MPH, if you dare go that fast.

**What is wrong?** Where are the state highway crews to fill these holes? Where is the equipment that our very high gas taxes have bought? Where are the people we elected to represent us in Harrisburg? They are very conspicuous by their absence. Are they too busy "politicizing" and testifying in court?

It is unfortunate that Bucks County has a "lame duck" highways superintendent and crew. They know under the spoils system they will soon lose their jobs. Maybe they just don't care anymore. It seems **no one cares** but the poor motorist.

Let's have some action! It's up to you now!

P.S. This complete disregard of the public is perhaps the best reason why the highway department should be under civil service. We hope Governor Scranton will be able to carry out this campaign promise.

## NOT TOO LONG AGO

Do you know what is in the small vial holding your prescription? Not too long ago, if you can remember, we had very few effective drugs for tuberculosis, pneumonia, strep-throat, or hundreds of other diseases. They often meant a tug-of-war between life and death, weeks of hospital care and the huge bills to go with them—and then a long convalescence without pay checks.

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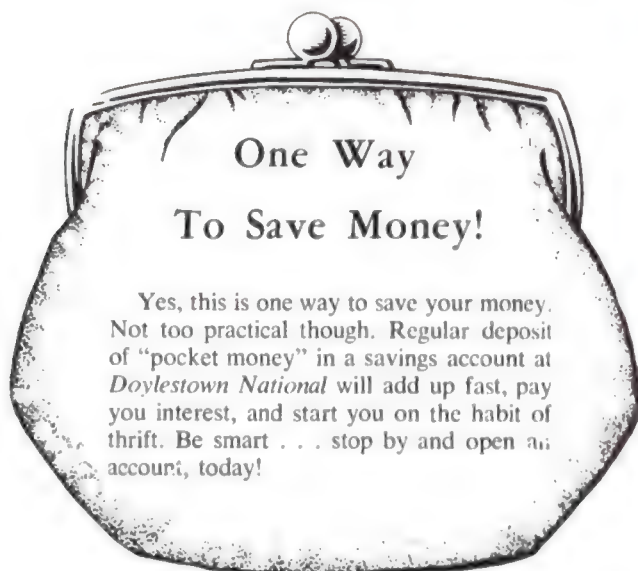
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Back in 1922, the first Doylestown Fair attracted many persons. The race track was a popular spot, as indicated by this photo. The little tot at the left is now Doylestown camera dealer Milton Rutherford. Thanks to Raymond Rutherford (Milt's Dad) for this photo.

## FOLKLORE

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earlier than the 25th of March. Pope Gregory XIII, assisted by several learned men, made a complete reformation of the calendar, adding to the old calculations a difference of a few seconds. Over a period of centuries these extra seconds were adding several days. To get the new calendar underway with proper calculations, the Pope decreed that the year 1582 should consist of 355 days only. The first of the year was to be January 1. The Catholic nations of Europe went along with their Pontiff's decree. But not the Protestant nations. Thus for two centuries, Europe used one calendar; England and her colonies another. Finally the confusion

became too much and in 1751 under George II, Parliament passed an act equalizing the style with that used in other countries. It was enacted that eleven days should be omitted and that the legal year begin the first of January instead of the 25th of March.

Ye can imagine the rejoicing that took place in the courts and nurseries of the colonies! From that time on a man could be positive of his age!

Alas, we are still suffering from the confusion, though. When did Columbus really discover America? He landed on Friday the 12th day of October in 1492 O. S. (Old Style). But N. S. (New Style) it was Friday, October 21st, 1492. Washington's birthday we do not acknowledge as the 11th of February O. S. We celebrate his birth February 22, N. S. omitting 11 days. Doesn't seem fair to upset George and not Columbus!

At any rate, I hope your confusion is a little less confusion. When you pore over those old documents, deeds, wills etc. in the Bucks County courthouse, you'll understand what those fraction years are all about.

And when you read of some get-together in Bucks being held the 24th of March, you'll know just what the folks were shooting their guns off for... it was New Year's!

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— George Bernard Shaw

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# The Publisher's Column

Some months ago, Panorama Historical Editor Roy C. Kulp examined "Early Schools in Bucks County", and caused much interest in schools. In travels around Pennsylvania, I happened on an old book in Lancaster County entitled "Report of The Superintendent of Common Schools of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for the year ending June 5, 1865".

The volume is just what it purports to be, and offers an interesting sidelight to our ways of education less than a century ago in our state, and particularly here in Bucks County.

1865 saw the end of the great civil conflict between north and south, and schools suffered greatly during this period. 1865 saw one room schoolhouses through-out the county and state. 1865 saw conditions and wages for schools and teachers, that we find hard to believe in these days of multi-million dollar jointures.

There were only 248 schools (public) in Bucks County, and only 232 school houses. (We assume the others were held in homes, halls, etc.) There were 284 teachers to man these schools, more than half of which were men. The average age of each teacher was 23, the age when most teachers start to teach today.

In all of Bucks County, there were but 7,822 students on the rolls with a little better than half of them attending school with any regularity. The school year was 7½ months, much longer than in other counties in Pennsylvania. Even as late as 1865, there were 201 students learning in the German language in Bucks County at 4 different schools—Plumstead, Milford, Haycock and Hilltown.

Then, as today the cry was for better wages for teachers. There were different pay scales for men and women teachers, with men drawing more money. Average salary for men teachers was a whopping \$31.80 per

month, while the gals only got \$26.42. This wage was slightly higher than the state average. Another financial sidelight was the total cost to instruct each pupil—58 cents a month!

In his annual report to the state in 1865, Bucks County Superintendent of Schools S.S. Overholt of Gardenville (Salary, \$800. per year) argued greatly for equality of pay scales for men and women teachers, with his feeling that women teachers were better than men teachers on the whole.

Mr. Overholt's report on his visits to the 248 county schools contained much interesting material, plus some sarcasm. He noted that there was still 1 log school house, 11 schools had "no out-house", only 133 had "outline maps", and 220 had uniform text books.

He further reported, "One hundred and twenty school-houses are yet without furniture, and judging from the progress made heretofore in the refurnishing of school houses, it will take at least thirty years to remove these relics of barbarism in the shape of school furniture. If the people would seriously reflect, on the amount of torture and discomfort to which their children are subjected for lack of proper school furniture, doubtless the proper remedy would soon be applied. It appears from the general aspect of many school-houses, school grounds and much of our school furniture, that a large proportion of the people are firm believers in the doctrine, "that through much suffering people become great."



Mr. Overholt found that of the 232 buildings, 74 were "unfit to use. Frequently the most worthless, bleak, wet, rocky and steep hillsides have been chosen as a proper location for the schoolhouse".

He further wrote, "The progress of the schools was not satisfactory, and the chief cause was the great scarcity of well qualified teachers." He blamed the condition on "the demon war preying fearful havoc upon the very vitals of the country. But, the glorious sunlight of peace smiles upon us, and it's invigorating influence will soon restore progress and prosperity to every department of civil life."

In 1865 there were no federal grants to schools, and the state supplied the only outside funds—a total of \$5,675 for the entire county!

Much progress has been made in education in the past century, but the same basic problems still haunt us—teacher's wages, school buildings and grounds being inadequate, jointures (then, it was "grading of the schools") and other such problems. It only goes to show, that less than 100 years later we still face the same problems, only from a different angle. —RJA

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AN ELECTROTYPE — The Patterson (N.J.) Intelligencer gives a curious incident of the late thunderstorm:—"A little girl was standing at a window, before which was a young maple tree. After a brilliant flash of lightning, a complete image of the tree was found imprinted on her body. This is not the first instance of the kind, but it is a singular phenomenon." (1854)

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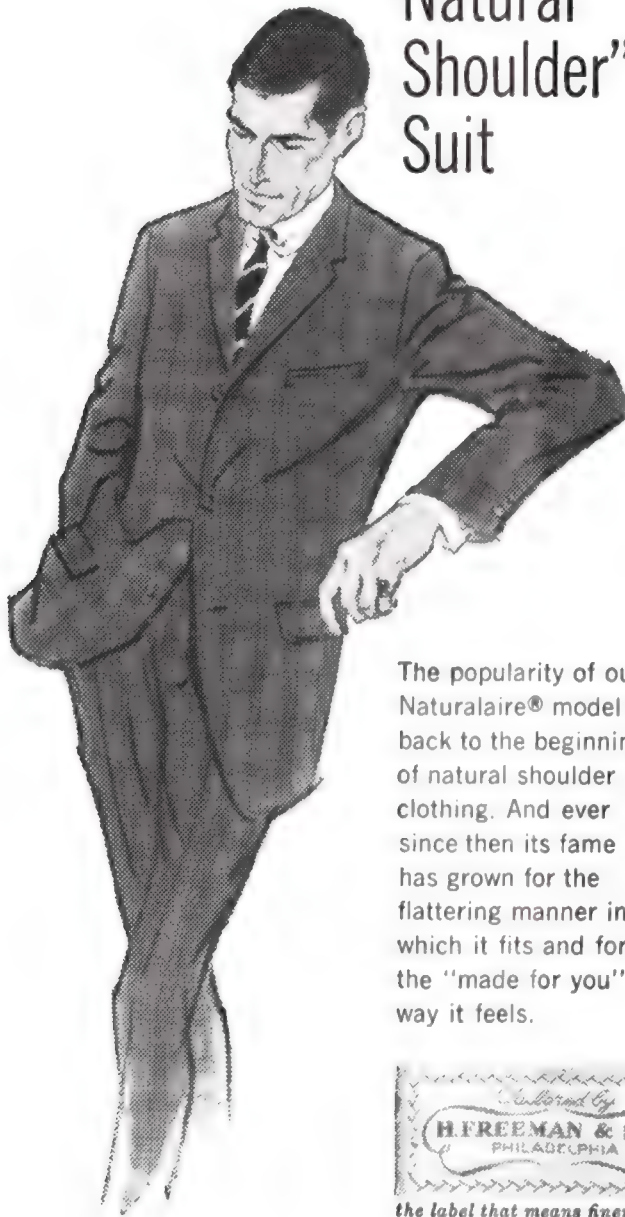
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the farmers speak of?  
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snow fall of love.

I kissed you when the sun was  
shining, from above . . .  
just a few days after spring.  
Was it a case of spring fever,  
my friends speak of?  
Ah no, to me it was a kiss  
truely of love.

We pledged our troth in the  
full moon, beaming from  
above . . . just a few nights  
past summer.

Was it just two spooners, the  
sleepy birds speak of?  
Ah no, to us it was a fullfill-  
ment of love.

After years apart, we met again  
in the rain . . . just a few  
short days ago.

Did my heart flutter fast, and  
become all a flame?  
Ah no friend, I couldn't even  
recall your name.

Ginny Fretz

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The Smith Press, circa 1835,  
which for many years printed  
Doylestown newspapers will  
again be in operation at the  
Mercer Museum, Pine and Ash-  
land Streets, Doylestown, this  
summer.

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# Rambling with Russ

by  
A. Russell Thomas

**HAT'S OFF TO THE "HOWDY-PAPS":** Doylestown Lodge No. 1284, Loyal Order of Moose, will celebrate its 50th anniversary starting Saturday, March 16, with a dance and floor show for members and their wives, to be followed by four other anniversary features. Listed for March 20, is an old-fashioned sourkraut dinner; March 30, another dance; April 3, new class enrollment ceremony, charter night and old timers' night; April 13, Easter dance and floor show.

The 915-member Doylestown Moose, as I have known it for at least 40 years, is one of the finest fraternal groups in Bucks county. The lodge started with slightly over 50 members a half century ago and four of the charter members are still with us—Charlie Meyers, George J. Chester, Dorsey Hager and J. Lloyd Fryling.

I well remember when the present Moose Home on East State street was dedicated. Our distinguished guest of honor that day was the late James J. Davis, founder of the Moose fraternity and a member of the Cabinet of the President of the United States at one time. A staunch Democrat, Davis marched side by side in the dedication parade of the new Doylestown Howdy-Pap home, with Mr. Republican Himself, the late Oscar O. Bean, for whom I had the pleasure of working for quite a number of years, as a newspaper reporter.

I recall that on March 17, 1913, a Doylestown newspaper carried a Town Note: "As there have been so many other meetings during the week, Doylestown Lodge No. 1284, Loyal Order of Moose, was instituted *Sunday*, in Siegler's Hall. With the exception of the dictator, the officers of the lodge were elected as follows: Vice dictator, George Bitting; past dictator, Charles J. Lehman; prelate, Edward V. Hellyer; secretary, Arthur Dieterich; treasurer, Edward Neis; sergeant at arms, Howard Carver; inside guard, Edward Bergey; outside guard, William Fryling; trustees, Edward Dosch, A. F. Dieterich, J. Howard Moore.

Doylestown Moose officers today are Al Romig, Chalfont, governor; Jack Connard, Doylestown, junior governor; Al Miller, Doylestown, junior past governor; William Steadman, New Britain, prelate; and H. Edward Schambacker, secretary.

The best of success to the Doylestown Moose during the next 50 years, and that too goes for the Doylestown Chapter, Women of the Moose, who are going to help the Howdy-Paps celebrate the Golden Anniversary.

**OTHER THINGS** that attracted attention 50 years ago in March: An advertisement in a D-Town newspaper, solicited patrons to "the latest motion pictures and high class vaudeville" in Lenape Hall, Otto Kolbe, proprietor. . . . Admission 15 cents, children under 12, 10 cents. . . . The Fountain House (Doylestown) advertised a special Easter dinner, 12 noon to 2 p.m. for 50 cents, giving you a choice of a bluepoint cocktail, chicken bouillon, planked shad, barbecued terrapin, Maryland smelts, Apricot Ice, roast spring lamb with mint sauce, jumbo squab, fried egg plant, asparagus, fresh strawberry ice cream, frozen custard, chocolate eclair, macaroons, lady fingers, Cross Buns,

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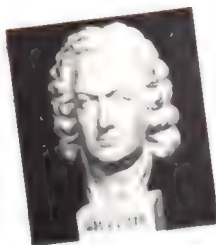
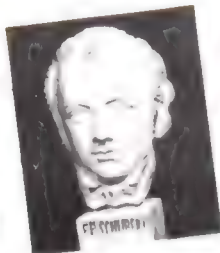
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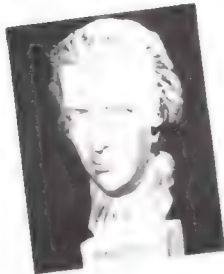
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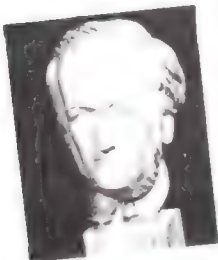
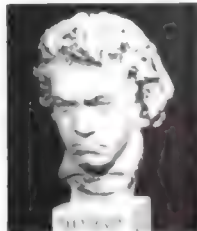
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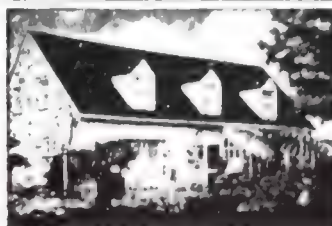
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# An Editor Reminisces



by C. Norman Detweiler

## "WHISTLEPIGS" and THE WEATHER

A fat old Groundhog cavorting around on a snow-covered field in Upper Bucks County on the last day of the old year upset a Pennsylvania Dutch belief that Groundhogs hole up and hibernate during the Winter. Contrary to Groundhog habits this fellow had fun burrowing in the snow and feeding on the green wheat beneath the blanket of white.

Legend has it that six weeks of weather can be foretold on February 2 which has become known far and wide as Groundhog Day. If, on that day, the varmit comes out of his den and sees his shadow he will dive back into his hole and sleep for six more weeks, for he knows there will be that many more weeks of Winter. If, on the other hand, the day is cloudy and he does not see his shadow, he resumes his daily activity for he knows that Spring is near at hand.

Groundhogs, also called woodchucks, are curious animals, wary, crafty and sometimes quite scrappy, which many a dog knows for having cornered one. Persons not knowing the habits of these animals can walk through a field and not see hide nor hair of one although there may be as many as a dozen watching motionless from atop the entrance of their dens. Grayish brown in color, they blend well into their surroundings and to the untrained eye they may appear to be just another clod of earth or stump of a small tree. However, get close to one and he will let out a peculiar whistle and dive down into his den. Because of this sound he has been commonly called a "Whistle Pig."

The home of the Groundhog is quite an interesting affair. It is an underground network of burrows with various escape holes. The main entrance is an impressive hole with a mound of dirt upon which he sits to scan the fields, but his escape holes are more secret for he digs them from the inside letting no tell-tale pile of dirt.

A native animal, the chuck is found in most States east of the Rockies, is widely hunted by man and boy, and is hated by the farmer. In addition to digging up the fields they consume an enormous amount of vegetation. An ordinary chuck eats about a third of his weight a day, often getting into farm gardens and devouring bean stalks and other crops. It is estimated

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## VOGUE... Fashion Of The Month



Before joining the Bucks County Easter Parade, *Vogue Shop's* Jewel Renner has a quick breakfast at *The Doylestown Inn*. She is wearing a daffodil yellow wool suit. It features a wedding ring fur collar, waist length semi-fitted jacket and slim skirt. Price \$39.95. Her hat is one of the new spring turban styles, in matching yellow, topped with gay flowers on the crown — only \$5.95. The purse is tan, marshmallow grained leather, just \$5.95. The gloves are beige, \$3.95.

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demi tasse.

JUST 25 YEARS ago this March: Miss R. Jane Keller (now Mrs. J. Franklin Hartzel) of Doylestown, was appointed to the role of "Old Man" in the Cedar Crest College (Allentown) production of Euripides Electra, a Greek play. . . . Busiest man in town was the late Health Officer A. R. Atkinson, who during the first three months of 1938, placarded approximately 500 front doors in Doylestown Borough alone with measles, mumps, whooping cough, scarlet fever and chicken pox

I REMEMBER that it was just 25 years ago in March when the Doylestown Chamber of Commerce was organized at a meeting held at the Devon Restaurant. Officers elected were Frank Reynolds, president; Frank Ely and Justin Ely, vice presidents; Herbert E. Moore, secretary; Stan Bowers, treasurer. The executive committee included Rudolph O. Hein, Robert L. Clyer, Charles Shive, and Dr. John J. Sweeney, now all deceased.

HARRIS HOLMES was elected president of the Loyal Republican Club of Bucks County. . . . Four-hundred members of the Doylestown Maennerchor Society celebrated the 51st anniversary of that club with Executive Secretary Frank L. Worthington as emcee. . . . Doylestown's mayor at that time, Dr. John J. Sweeney, got a big hand at the dinner, held in the Armory, when he discussed with Maennerchor members, local problems concerning parking and other rules and regulations.

"DOYLESTOWN IS NOT going to be by-passed, don't worry," said Burgess Sweeney. "Doylestown has too many wide-awake business men to allow the County Seat to be by-passed. I want your united support however, in enforcing parking conditions in Doylestown."

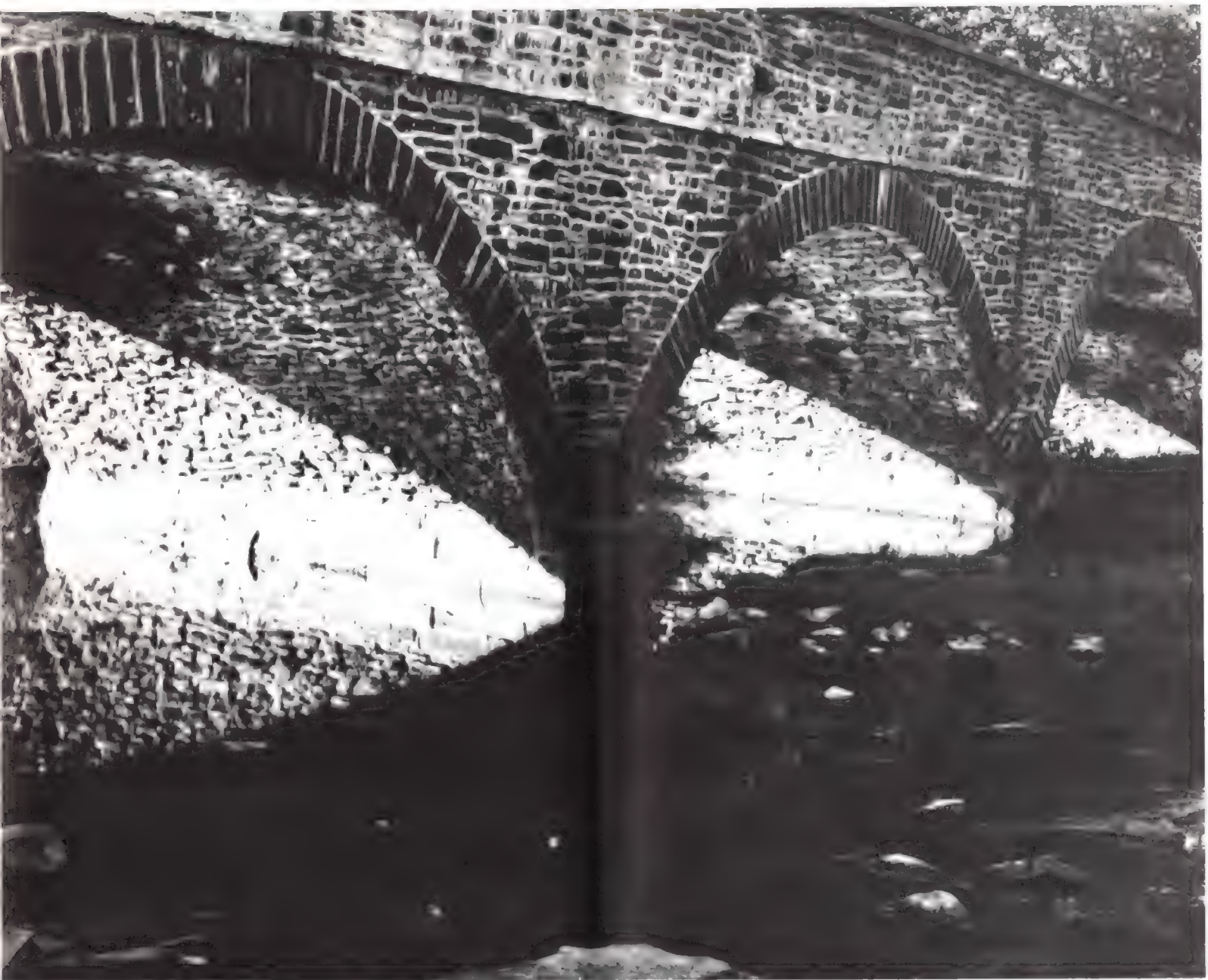
The 38th annual commencement of National Farm School was attended by 2000 persons, and presided over by Dean Cletus L. Goodling, just two weeks after the entire student body went on a protest strike against the dean. . . . Walter E. Bachman (then of the Water Wheel Tavern), now a special deputy sheriff of Bucks county, attended a Masonic convention in Charlotte, N. C. . . . The Kiwanis Club of Doylestown won top prize in the State of Pennsylvania among all other Kiwanis Clubs for its 1938 achievement report for the year 1937-38, a 5000-word resume of the activities of the club, that this reporter, as secretary of Kiwanis, had the privilege of writing and submitting to the state officials.

ALSO A QUARTER CENTURY Ago This March: Fire of undetermined origin caused a loss of \$100,000 at the Oak Grove Hosiery plant in South Langhorne. . . . Howard I. James, Bristol attorney (Bucks county's best at that time) became a candidate for the Republican nomination for State Senate to succeed Clarence J. Buckman. . . . Joseph F. Hafler, Bell Telephone manager of the Doylestown district, returned from a Florida vacation. . . . Dr. A. J. Strathie, Newtown, re-elected president of the Bucks County Boy Scout Council. . . . A strike at Roberts and Mander Stove Company, Hatboro, cost workers a total of \$27,000 a week. . . . Donald B. Smith, son of Mrs. and the late George F. Smith (one-time Boro Council president), was admitted to the Bucks County Bar (in my book today, Counselor Smith is outstanding judge material for Bucks county). . . . This reporter also well remembers 25 years ago March 7, when a Town Note in a local newspaper read that "A. Russell Thomas is still confined to his home with a severe attack of Shingles."

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# THIS IS BUCKS COUNTY!



*On a lazy warm spring afternoon, the sun creates unusual shadows on this old stone arch bridge near Dublin. Photographer Alfred Sinks waited for just the right moment to capture this striking design of "the face of Bucks County."*



# *A Little Bit Of Heaven*

by James J. Doyle



**Rev. John J. Morley**

"The Christ Child was adored for the first time in a stable, and this morning we adore Him in a Chapel converted from a garage. And, as there is an analogy between the stable of yesterday and the garage of today, we can, perhaps, feel a bit closer to the atmosphere of that first Christmas." The above is quoted from the sermon of the late Reverend Joseph B. Muldoon as he read Mass for the first time, on Christmas Eve, in the little Mission Church of St. Patrick, which he founded in the Borough of Dublin in 1944.

When Father Muldoon was appointed pastor of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church in Hilltown, the parent Church of the Mission, he found almost as many problems as parishioners in the sprawling parish. Some members of the

congregation, living in the northern and eastern regions of the parish, had to travel eight or nine miles to attend service at Hilltown Church; and this was further complicated by the rationing of gasoline.

It was with the thought of making it more convenient to attend services to those isolated parishioners, that Father Muldoon purchased the property on Route 313 and, with a few devoted followers, began the labor that was to transform a shabby, grease-stained garage into a temple of prayer. And with a priest named Muldoon and a town called Dublin who else could possibly be patron to this Chapel but St. Patrick.

It took a great amount of faith and courage for a church struggling to balance its own budget to assume the further

expense and labor of furnishing and maintaining a mission chapel. But faith and courage were qualities of character that Reverend Joseph B. Muldoon, who died in 1961, possessed in abundance. A most humble man, he mixed concrete and swung a pick like a modern St. Francis who would build his own Church with his own hands.

In March of 1954 his Eminence, the late John Cardinal O'Hara, became somewhat less than eminent to the members of the Hilltown parish when he transferred Father Muldoon to the Church of St. Bernard in Easton, Penna.

It is difficult to believe that any clergyman could be held in greater esteem and affection by his flock than the founder of St. Patrick's Mission. In a very real sense he has never left the little Mission — his



humility and the spirit of his dedicated labor have already become a legend that will grow as the Mission prospers.

The unenviable assignment of succeeding Father Muldoon as pastor of the parish at Hilltown, fell upon the not-too-broad shoulders of Reverend John J. Morley of Philadelphia. And that good man scarcely had his coat off than the chill of silent resentment at Father Muldoon's transfer flamed into indignation when an Allentown journalist had the poor taste to write an article jibing the Dublin Community's lack of enthusiasm for St. Patrick on St. Patrick's Day and of the little Mission's lack of Irish-named parishioners. To add injury to insult, a local paper naively published the article in its entirety and the fat was in the fire. Within twenty-four hours Father Morley, who had arrived in the atmosphere of an Irish wake, found himself in the center of a donneybrook. His first St. Patrick's Day in Dublin, though not officially celebrated, was nevertheless unforgettable.

While scoring the scribe for bad taste in the manner in which the article was written, Father Morley conceded that it was, for the most part, factual and he decided it was time to alter some of the facts. To this end he appointed a committee to make plans for the Annual Celebration of St. Patrick's Day as a spiritual and festive occasion. The program, initiated by this committee on St. Patrick's Day in 1955, has been repeated since then almost without change.

As Father Muldoon labored to establish the Mission, Father Morley has worked to embellish its appearance as a place of worship and to make attendance a bit more comfortable to its members.

Father Morley's efforts have succeeded in making St. Patrick's and Dublin known to an ever widening circle of friends. Many of the improvements to the little Chapel have been financed by funds donated by those distant, but devoted, friends of St. Patrick. One of the most notable of these gifts is the Carillon Bells donated by the late Mrs. Martha Mercer who frequently attended services at the Chapel.

Officials of Dublin Borough, led by Mayor Harold Bishop and members of the business community, have cooperated with Father Morley

in inviting the "Irish" of all nationalities and faiths in the area to participate in the celebrating of the feast day of the Irish Patriarch.

And, while it is true that no one else has recently reported seeing a Leprachaun, there is historic justification in the County for the "wearin' of the green". The history of colonial Bucks County is rooted, deeply in the fabric of our State and our Country, and that many of these roots are emerald green is evident in the Irish names of some of our oldest communities.

Within the sound of the little Chapel's bells — just down the road a piece — is the historic old Irish Meeting House, the second oldest Presbyterian Church in Bucks County, whose churchyard is dotted with grave markers identifying the dust below as a soldier in Washington's Army. The "Kellys and Burkes and Sheas" of nearly two centuries ago. The race of fighting men who believed that men should not be permitted to possess that for which they would not fight to defend. The men who defended freedom and faith wherever it was threatened, who came as exiles and remained as patriots to fight and, perhaps, die for the America that gave them shelter. There is indeed historical precedent

for celebrating St. Patrick's Day in Bucks County.

When St. Patrick came to Dublin it was surely not as a stranger, but rather as an expected friend long overdue.

The Irish are a mystic some folk call them a superstitious, people. And they well might tell you that St. Patrick's Mission, Dublin is just one more facet of the endless mission of St. Patrick "to come wherever the Irish call". When the bells of the little Chapel herald the Feast of St. Patrick, there may be a stirring of that gallant dust at the Meeting House, and some Unknown Minstrel may strike an answering chord or two from a muted harp. For Irish tales are strange indeed — to everyone but an Irishman.



Rev. Jos. B. Muldoon

Seen here is Harold E. Bishop, Mayor of Dublin, E. B. Laudenslager, President of Dublin Borough Authority and Rev. John J. Morley, Pastor of St. Patrick's Mission. Mayor Bishop is presenting Rev. Morley with a copy of the 50th Anniversary of Dublin booklet to be forwarded to the Mayor of Dublin, Ireland.

(Photo courtesy Call-Chronicle Newspapers, Allentown)



# QUAKERTOWN

## A SHORT HISTORY

by C. Norman Detweiler

### Part Two



**ORIGINAL STONE DWELLING** on Main Street. One of the first stone houses built by the early Quakers, and in fine state of preservation. A show place in this Upper Bucks municipality. (Photo by C. N. Detweiler)

For years the growth of the Friends' settlement in the Richland area was barely perceptible, but with the influx of German and a few Irish immigrants, a hamlet gradually developed and by the turn of the century a neat little country village in Upper Bucks County was soon to receive a name.

It was in 1803 that the Federal Government established a post office here and appointed storekeeper William Green the first postmaster. The village then became known officially as Quaker Town, the spelling of which remained two words until 1855 when the town became

incorporated as a borough and the name was changed to its present form of spelling.

Centered as it was in what is now called the West End, Quakertown in 1832 was referred to in an atlas as "a small, neat town of a single street, containing 40 dwellings, 2 stores, 3 taverns and a Quaker Meeting House." Slowly the town grew, and by 1856 there were sixty-two dwellings, an increase of twenty-two in a quarter of a century. However, when the North Penna. Railroad was completed through this section, from Philadelphia to Bethlehem, there followed a spurt in the physical growth of Quakertown.

Though the town proper was a mile from the railroad, there sprung up to the east, where the right of way intersected the Milford to Newtown road, a new settlement of homes and business places that was to become known as Richland Center. This was the beginning of progress and prosperity, which led gradually to the growing together of the two rival communities.

Because of the development of the new settlement a mile from the town where the original post office was located, the residents of the new in 1867 petitioned the Postal Department in Washington for a post office near the railroad. The Department thereupon issued an order that the post office be removed from "uptown" to "downtown". That riled the residents of Quakertown proper and they in turn filed a protesting petition with Washington for its return to its original location. After five weeks Washington restored har-



**THIRD AND BROAD STREETS 65 YEARS AGO**—Now the busiest intersection in Quakertown, this is how the heart of town looked on June 11, 1898, when the first trolley wended its way around right angle curves and over the bridge to Richlandtown. Today, still the heart of the downtown business section, it has, and still is undergoing "face lifting to keep abreast with the times.



mony here by returning the office to its former site and establishing another downtown under the name of Richland Center, located in Tobias Shive's "Old Corner Store," naming Ephraim Cope as its first postmaster.

In 1874 Richland Center was incorporated into the borough of Quakertown; however, its post office remained in operation (in its later location, the old car barn on East Broad Street) until 1914 when it was consolidated with the Quakertown postoffice which had been moved from Main Street to the Merchants Bank building at Second and West Broad Streets.

Industrially Quakertown has had a variety of pursuits. Early manufacturing included the making of pottery, bricks, boots, shoes, spokes, felloes, axe handles, creamery products, chewing tobacco, pipe organs, carriages, sleighs, clothing and cigars, which, until shortly after World War I had been the leading industry in town. With the advent of machine-made cigars the cigar factories one by one succumbed to automation and the experts in rolling hand-made "two-fors" had to look elsewhere for other kinds of employment.

With the demise of the cigar industry the factories were taken over by other manufacturing concerns and today thousands of employees in Quakertown produce men's and women's wearing apparel, hosiery, electric grills, soil pipe, leather welting, paper products, poultry equipment, wrought iron and metal work, glass and mirror products, furs cabinets,



**THE SUMMER TRIPPER**—The old Inland Traction Co. did things up right in those days, and with the comfort of its patrons in mind, placed into service an open car during the Summer season. Here it stood in all its glory decked out with colored lights and white curtains. Later known as the Quakertown Traction Company, the outfit often ran "excursions" between Quakertown, Richlandtown and Menlo Park in Perkasio.

overhead garage doors, building materials, bricks and tile, safety products, (including asbestos suits for fire-fighting men in the Navy, Air Force and civilian fire companies), marine lighting, steel shelving, cigar boxes, machine shops, screw machine products, meat processing, ice manufacturing, marble memorials, rubber products, furniture and upholstery, cattle and poultry feeds, bread,

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**FIRST TROLLEY**—On June 11, 1898, the inland Traction Company, with car barn on East Broad Street opposite the former Continental Restaurant, now the Moose Home, began trolley service between Quakertown and Perkasio, and a spur to Richlandtown. The latter car, called "The Tripper," was obliged to cross North Penn railroad tracks over a "camel back" bridge behind the Globe Hotel because the railroad would not grant the trolley company a right of way on grade level. This photo, taken by the late William A. Goldsmith, shows the first Tripper about to go over the bridge. A number of Doubting Thomases stood in the field to see if the car would make the grade—it did, and continued to do so until 1927 when the line to Richlandtown was abandoned. The original line to Perkasio was purchased from the Inland Co. in 1903 by the Lehigh Valley Transit Company and service extended from Allentown to Chestnut Hill. Some years later the line from Lansdale to Chestnut Hill was abandoned and another route established connecting with Norristown and 69th Street in Philadelphia. Known as the Liberty Bell Route, trolley service from Allentown to Philadelphia passed out of existence in 1951 and bus service substituted. Thus travel by trolley gave way to buses.



**FORMER NORMAL AND CLASSICAL SCHOOL**—This building formerly housed the Horne-Bougher Normal and Classical School and later the Soldiers' Orphan's School. Today it is a three-family residence. (Photo by C. N. Detweiler)



# IT'S NO DRAG

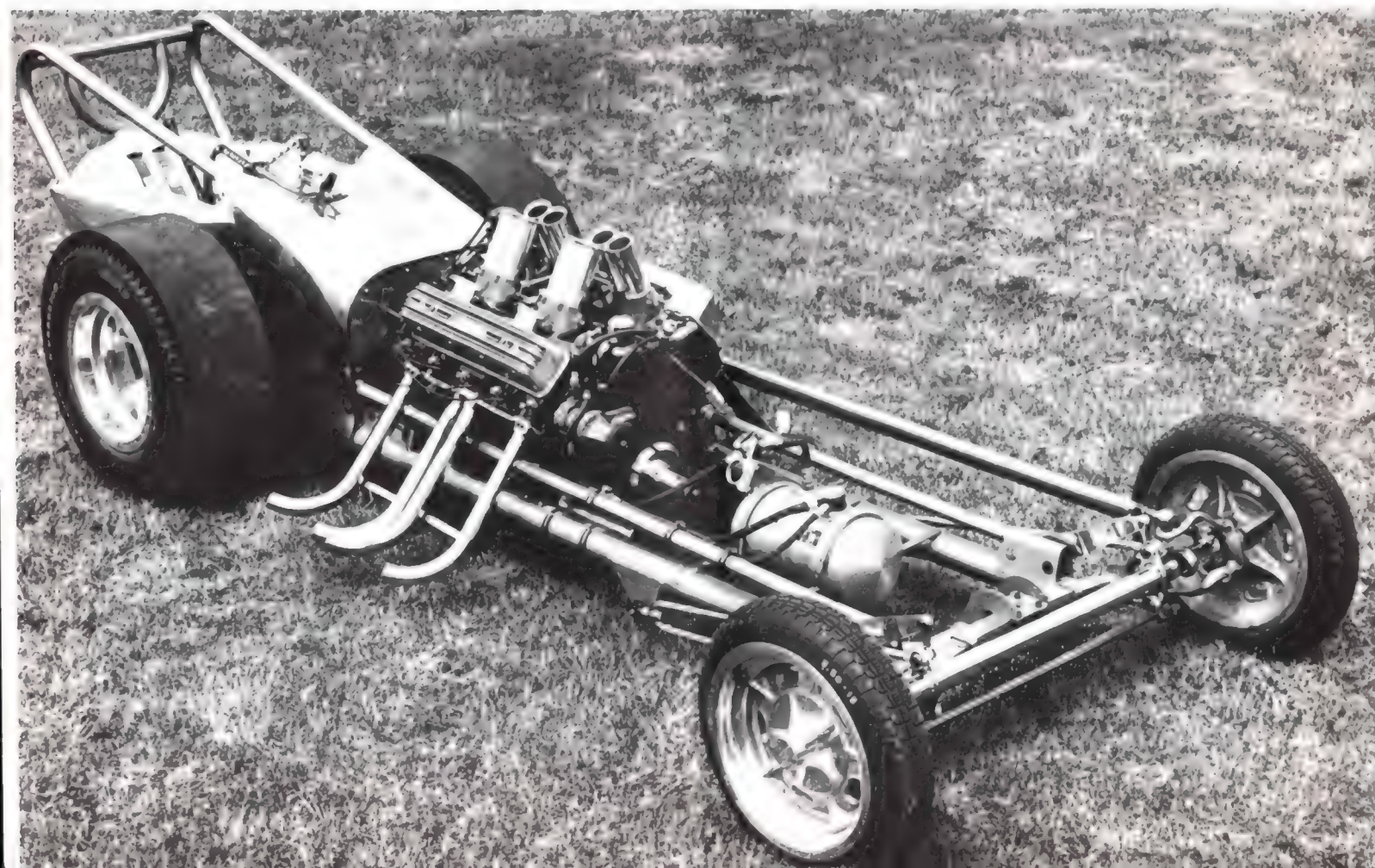
by David Mullin

*The Skeeter II. Four sparkling magnesium wheels lighten the load to be pulled. The small gas tank mounted in front of the motor holds enough gas for several runs.*

(Photos by Don Renner)

Most all of us have a hobby, and pursue its enjoyments with as much faithfulness as if it were our livelihood. When the drag racing and car-building bug bites you, you may just as well not fight it, because it has got you, hands down. It is a hobby followed by mostly the younger set, but if you look around a bit, I am sure you will find quite a few of their preceding generation. Drag racing has been a headline winner for quite a few years. The trouble has been, the drag racing in the streets. But put an organization and supervision behind it, and you wind up with both a time consuming pastime and a good hobby. In the past 4 years it has gained startling popularity among the young and old alike.

As a way of explanation of the sport, you must visualize a long macadamed road, perfectly level, and measured from a starting line to the finish,  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile away. The purpose, naturally, is to get to the finish line before your opponent. The field of participants ranges from cars that are driven daily on our streets, to strictly an engine mounted upon a tube-type frame. These are known as dragsters or rails. The latter is the fastest of the two. The dragsters, in turn, are separated into classes according to





cubic inch displacement in the motor, weight of the vehicle, and what may be put on the engine as an extra. As an example we have chosen a class B dragster from Bucks County. It is owned and operated by "Skeets" Spanninger, a resident of Blooming Glen. His entire machine weighs about 1484 pounds. It is powered by a 1954 Oldsmobile engine. It has 365 cubic inches and operates with a "self tuned" Hilborn fuel injection.

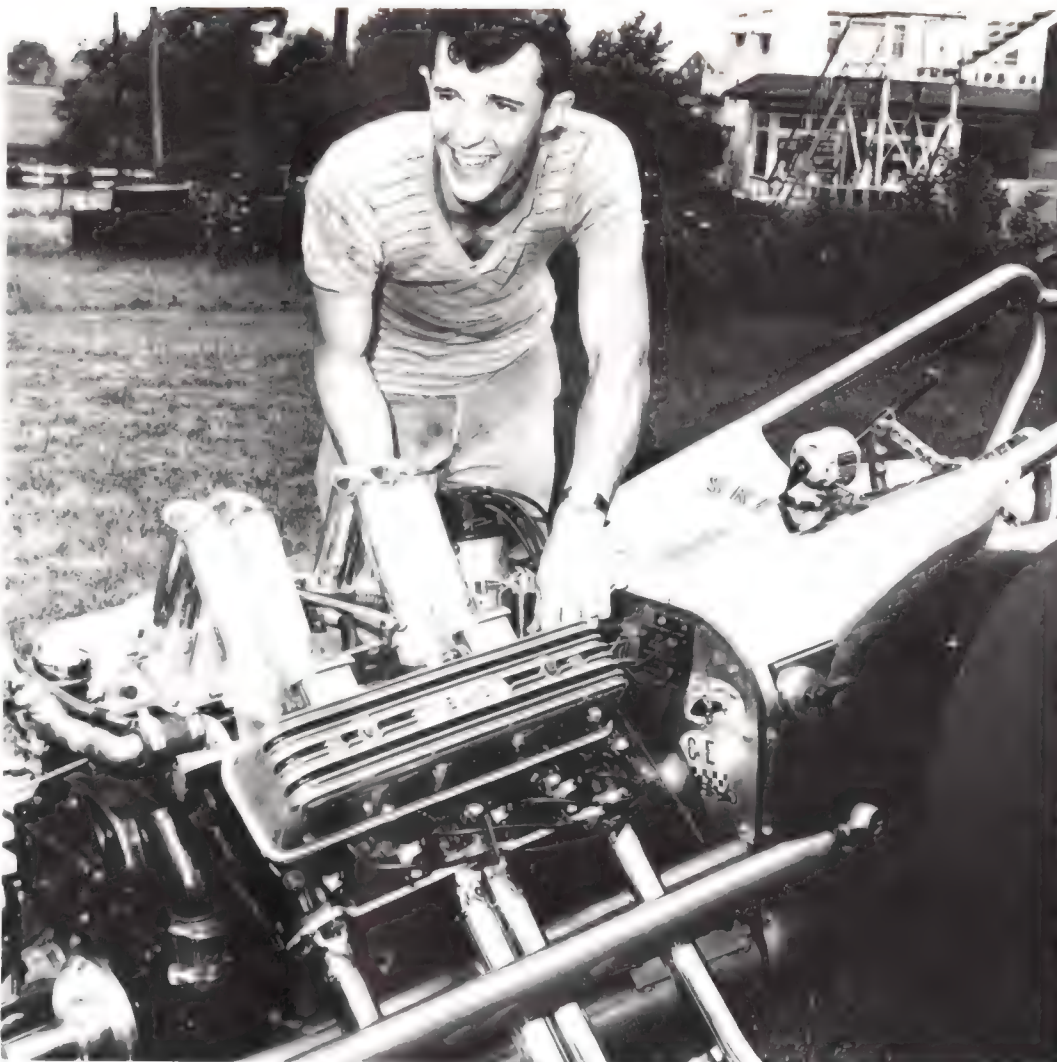
This dragster may well be called handmade, as many items in the engine and body are hand crafted and machined by an expert. His name is Bill Barringer. To demonstrate this, Bill has combined a pulley, which drives the fuel injection with a degree wheel that is used for tuning the engine.

The engine has an "Engle" camshaft which actuates the valves. A 1939 Ford transmission is used with a 3.78 rear. It might be added here that the 1939 Ford transmission is quite an oddity among dragsters, because of the poor dependability. They have used this transmission for two years without a failure. But Mr. Spanninger says it can be done with certain variations.

The brakes are Buick, with a special machined steel axle. The tubular frame comes from Chassis Research with an added airplane strut used as a drag link, (steering mechanism) to enhance the beauty and give more sturdy steering. Special made spring perch and shock absorbers help to hold the weight under specified requirements. Ten inch wide slicks (tires without treads) give the "Skeeter II" its needed traction for the start.

Mr. Spanninger and Bill, with a crew of usually 4, have done quite well for themselves as they won their class divisionals at Island Dragway, New Jersey, last year.

To prove that hard work and patience are rewarding, last year the dragster turned 107 mph in an elapsed time of 11:70 seconds. This year, the Skeeter has bettered this by quite a margin, as his 139 mph, 10.4 second elapsed time demonstrates. Mr. Spanninger said, "I guess I can be safe in saying that I have the fastest class B dragster in Bucks County. My biggest hopes are to win the national drag racing championships held at Indiana Raceway, Park, Indiana." A few hundred drag racing fans participate in this event with



*"It was only a loose bolt" says Skeets. Checking over the dragster before each outing prevents many a mishap on the strip. Note the polished heads and chrome exhaust pipes.*

the same hopes. And this certainly shows that if looked down upon by some, dragging is certainly a competitive and well organized sport, with many conscientious participants. A hobby well worth the time and effort.

*Shoulder harness, safety belts, helmet and padding are a must to run, according to regulations. Notice the shut-off switch on brake handle right. The distorted reflections in the polished aluminum surface are the magneto lines against the painting of a mosquito.*





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## An Editor Reminices

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that one chuck eats at least half a ton of alfalfa in a year, so think what ten of them could do to a field of clover that some farmer would like to harvest for his cattle's Winter feed.

Millions of Groundhogs infest the fields throughout the countryside and of recent years they have become the target for men with 22-calibre rifles. Groundhog hunting is great sport and the crafty little animal often tests the patience of the hunter, but it has one weakness, its great curiosity. For all his cleverness in eluding the hunter he cannot resist looking around to see what man is doing. When approached the chuck will make a dash for his hole, but often stopping to look over his shoulder will provide a good target for the hunter. Should the hunter miss, down into the den the animal goes, but the experienced nimrod knows that within twenty minutes or so the chuck will reappear and watchful waiting usually pays off.

Most farmers welcome Groundhog hunters for they help rid their fields of the pest, but in spite of the many animals killed each year the chuck population continues to increase. What do men do with their quarry? Why eat them, of course! Some people shudder at the thought, but to the native Pennsylvania Dutch a Groundhog stuffed with saurkraut and roasted nice and brown is a delicacy and a dish fit for a king. You should "try it once," as some say around here.

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"Watch out Constable, when you get to Weaver's house." Justice of the Peace George Fox signed the warrant for arrest for one Adam Weaver and looked up from his desk. "He's a mean critter. Good luck, Constable." Fox handed the constable the warrant.

Meade Atterhold cleared his throat. "There ain't a man on Haycock mountain any meaner, JP, but there's never been the likes of a man yet that'll keep me from doing my duty."

The two men shook hands.

Constable Atterhold folded the warrant and pocketed it thoughtfully. "Think I'll deputize me a man to come along and give a hand... maybe two men." He rubbed his chin with his knuckles. "Erwin Mondeau's a good man... and Israel Moser."

Fox nodded. "No petty thief can lick that team, Meade." He looked out the window. "Watch the wagon wheels in mud on those Haycock mountain roads. They'll be as mean as the man!" There was a quick exchange of laughs and the constable left.

The Weaver house stood like a forgotten parcel someone dropped in the woods and forgot. It looked small, tied up and never opened. Atterhold

dropped from the driver's seat of the wagon and motioned Mondeau and Moser to flank him. They oozed through a mush of mud and rotted leaves, their boots making a sucking sound. A catbird whined from the woods behind the house. The constable took a quick step in front of the other men with a fist upraised to knock on the door.

A window creaked open up above. The men looked up just in time to see a steaming kettle tilt its contents towards them. They cradled their heads an instant before a torrent of boiling water plunged over them. The skin on Atterhold's hand felt burned away as he beat the door with one maddened blow. "Open up!" he

bellowed. No response. He gave the door a thundering kick. Mondeau threw his weight against it. On rusted hinges, the door gave way. Constable Atterhold covered the near-bare room with one glance. It was empty. Moser stamped to his side and stared about. Mondeau strode over to the stairway and looked up. A shadow flitted along the hallway upstairs. Mondeau took the first two steps in one bound. The next moment a shotgun blast exploded. The shadow stood at the head of the stairs shooting. The deputy reeled back and dropped. Atterhold and Moser pushed past him. The gun exploded again. The constable felt a blast sear along the side of his

face. He fell back. Moser ran out of the house yelling "Help! Murder!" Pandemonium reigned for the next fifteen minutes. Neighbors sloshed over from houses nearby on Haycock. The constable and his deputy were carried into the wagon. The men combed the Weaver house, carrying their hunting guns. Mrs. Weaver and her four children sat in the upstairs bedroom, their faces white as hearth ashes. On the broad window sill near Mrs. Weaver rested a still-warm kettle. When Moser lifted it and looked at her, she raised her eyes defiantly, but said nothing.

Where was Adam Weaver? No-one knew. The woods were sifted by a searching party. The whole township of Nockamixon was on the lookout. The constable recovered from his wounds, though scarred for life. Deputy Mondeau was dead. Where was Adam Weaver, petty thief, lately turned murderer?

No-one knew. No-one ever found him.

Justice of the Peace George Fox took in the Weaver family the night after the assault and murder. His wife outfitted the ill-clad Weaver children and fed them. The oldest daughter in the Fox household, Elsie, watched that memorable night

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Personnelman 2nd class James J. Stotz, of the U. S. Naval Air Station, Willow Grove, points to newly erected sign warning station personnel of the hazards of the public highway. This sign was erected in the interest of highway safety and serves as a warning that everyone must do his or her part in making highway travel safe. (Official U. S. Navy Photo)

## QUAKERTOWN

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cakes, pastries, cleaning and dying establishments, laundry etc, etc.

Educationally Quakertown has always been a leader, and even today its school system ranks as a model in the State. The Friends started the first school soon after settling here, and in 1818 a "boarding school" was established by Richard Moore and Thomas Lester, which was quite successful for a short time but was discontinued "for private reasons."

In 1858 the Revs. Abraham R. Horne, D. D. and H. Louis Bougher, D. D. established a "Normal and Classical School" which at one time had an enrollment of 400 students. It was located on Main Street and today the building is a three-family dwelling. In the early 1860's Rev. Horne moved to Allentown and the school was converted into a "Soldiers' Orphans' School." This lasted only three years, closing in 1868, when the children were transferred to the Chester Spring School in Chester County.

Another educational venture was launched in 1866 when Levi Heacock and James Brunner opened a school "to prepare young people for teachers' examinations." This too was of short existence.

Quakertown's first public school was erected on what is now Fourteenth Street, a one-story stone building now tumb-

ling into decay. The first Board members, elected on March 15, 1855, were Lewis B. Thompson, Samuel W. Miller, Elias Strunk, David Jamison, John Kaull and Lewis Jacoby. Their first meeting was on June 5 of that year when they voted to establish a 10-month term. The first teachers were a Miss Aaron and a Miss Meredith.

The next schoolhouse erected in town was on Roberts Street, now Tenth. The two-story structure, abandoned in 1920, is now owned by the Methodist Church and is used as an educational and community hall.

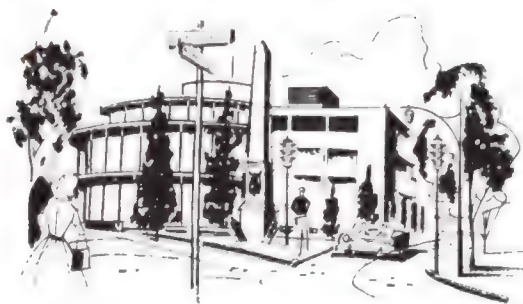
Subsequent buildings were the Central school on Sixth Street and the Franklin Street school, 1893. In 1911 a high school was erected next to the Central school, being occupied as such until 1929 when a new high school was erected on Seventh Street. The old high school was named the Lincoln grade school. With the continual growth of the town's population, and the rising birth rate following two World Wars, the school district was required to erect still another building, the modern million-and-a-half dollar Quakertown Community Senior High School on Park Avenue between Sixth and Seventh Streets.

(Next month, Banks, Bands, and Baseball)

"We have really everything in common with America nowadays, except, of course, language" —Oscar Wilde



## Around The County



### March 1963

Hail the month of March! This is the month when Spring officially enters for 1963. After this past winter, we all will be glad to see this new spring and summer season.

The winter storm has caused much damage to our county road system. Perhaps the "worst", (and I'm sure everyone has their own candidate for this) we think is Route 611 between the Montgomery County Line and Doylestown. This section boasts of more potholes per square foot of road than any other, perhaps in the entire state! The rebuilding is progressing, slowly but surely on the highway, but in the mean time, nothing is being done to even fill the holes a little. We lost a tire, a friend tore his shock absorbers, on just a one mile trip on the highway. If our cars survive until next November, they promise us the new road will be finished by then. We hope so. It has been long overdue.

Speaking of roads and streets, we would like to ask a question. Perhaps we are wrong, but a bypass of Route 202 is proposed for Doylestown, which will take the trucks and through traffic out around our County Seat town. Why then, with this plan on the drawing boards, is the state going ahead with the project to widen State Street? When the widening is complete, the sidewalks will be barely wide enough to accommodate one person at a time. If you meet someone on the street as you walk along single file, one will have to step into the gutter. This would greatly hamper shoppers, walkers and people who must use the street to get where they are going. We suppose that it is being done in the name of progress, but when it's done, what will we have progressed to?

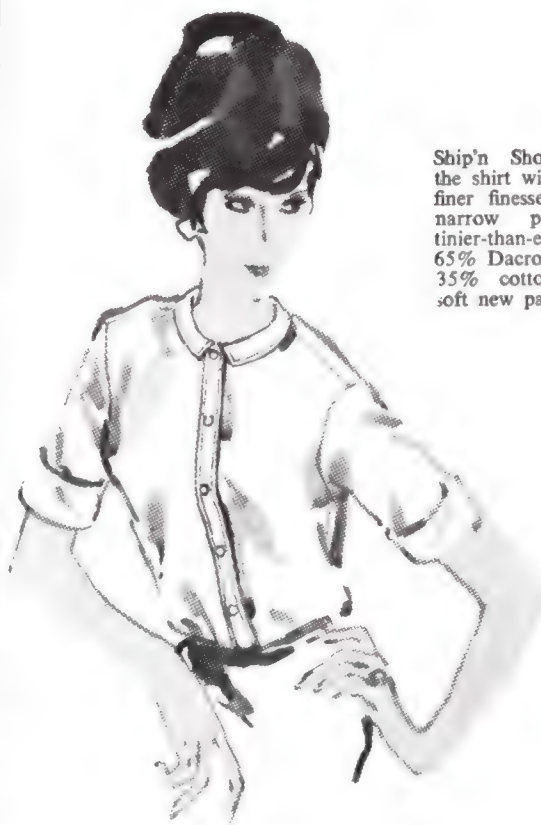
How many times have you checked into a hotel and been advised that the hotel had a safe available for your valuables. How many times have you ever used this service of the hotel. We, personally, never have. Neither had GORDON EXLEY, Director of the Bucks County Industrial Development Corporation, until late last month. Gordon stayed over nite in Doylestown recently at a local hotel. He had a large sum of money with him, and thought that perhaps it just might be a good idea to utilize the services of the hotel safe. That nite, the first time in history Gordon had used such a service, and also the first time in it's history, the hotel was robbed. To add insult to injury, the thief made off with Gordon's overcoat, too!

A landmark of Doylestown's nitelife, John Krasna's "County Seat Inn," (Rainbow Lounge) suffered about a \$8,000.00 loss in a fire this past month. John got his family of four and his dog and her puppies to safety, before the fire destroyed a downstairs bar and kitchen and his apartment in the building.

It will pay to be a seventh or eighth grade student at the new elementary school planned at Richboro. It is going to be completely air conditioned. Cheer up kids, don't rush to get your parents to move.

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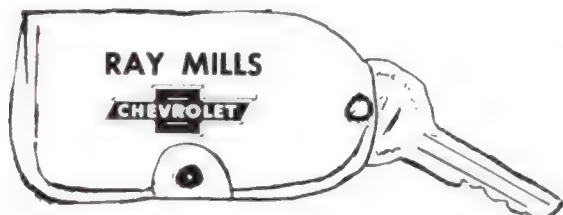


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Centennial School District (Southampton and Warminster) and Central Bucks School District also have such schools planned. The only hitch to the deal is, educators are thinking about "all year round school" in the new buildings. "Drat this progress."

"Howdy, Doc!" Dr. REDDING H. RUFÉ of Doylestown and Chalfont has a new associate to aid him in his practice of medicine. GIOVANNI BRUNO, M.D., has joined Dr. Rufe at 57 S. Limekiln Pike in Chalfont and 61 S. Pine Street, Doylestown.



Bob..new mike

Doylestown's BOB DETREY, recently joined the staff of the Lancaster Radio station, WLAN, after spending several years with WRAW in Reading. Bob's programs in Reading were the rated shows in the area, so we know by now that Lancaster has also rated him number one.

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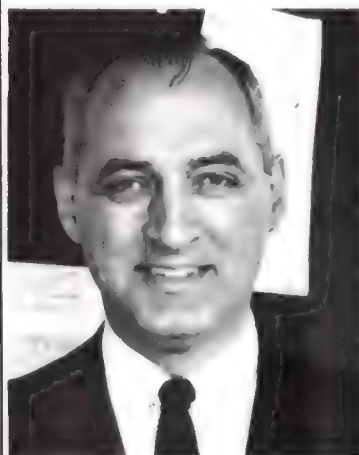
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### Mike Gets Award

New Hope's **MIKE ELLS** was selected as the winner of the second annual "Margo Jones Award". A party was held at Sardi's Restaurant in New York City where Howard Lindsey presented Mike with a commemorative medal and a check for \$250.00. Mike's big hit, "The Beauty Part" starring **BERT LAHR** and written by Erwinna's S. J. **PERELMAN**, is now breaking Broadway records.

Birthday greetings to Mrs. **ANTHONY OTT, Sr.** of Doylestown. Mrs. Ott celebrated on the 25th of February, and claims to be "just a little over 21". We think she's 28, if she's a day!

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A. C. WILLEMSEN, Managing Director of Pomeroy's, Inc., Levittown was elected recently to head up the Bucks County Industrial Development Corporation. Also elected were DANIEL ERDMAN, Vice President; HARRY E. DANNER, Treasurer; and DAVID NORMAN, Secretary.

CONGRATULATIONS To Mr. & Mrs. FRITZ TRAU-MULLER on their recent marriage. Mrs. Traumuller is the former Miss Bobbie Ely of The Panorama staff. The couple spent their honeymoon in Florida.

Among the members of the Livestock Judging Team at Delaware Valley College, Doylestown was a Bucks County youth, WILLIAM D. HOPKINS of Doylestown. Hopkins, and other members of the team were given awards at the college recently. The Livestock Judging Team had journeyed to Massachusetts, Maryland and Chicago to participate in judging competition.

HARVEY FUNK of New Hope recently took over his new post as Chief Custodian of the House of Representatives in Harrisburg. A life-long resident of Bucks County, Harvey is quite active in civic affairs in New Hope. Good Luck in Harrisburg.

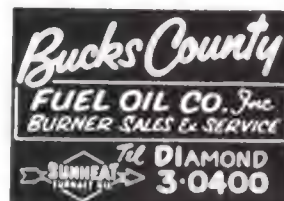
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We regret to note the passing of a fine gentleman and a great artist — MAXIMILLAN VANKA. Mr. Vanka lived near Rushland, and taught at Delaware Valley College. He was one of the most pleasant people we have ever met. Always a smile and so interested in other people. His example will be tough to follow. He died on a vacation trip in Mexico, where he visited annually. A native of Yugoslavia, he came to the United States in 1934.

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'V.P.' Chick

The newly formed Eastern Pennsylvania Redevelopment Authority Association has elected a Bucks County man as Vice President at its recent election meeting. C. V. (Chick) AFFLERBACK. Chick is Chairman of The Bucks County Redevelopment Authority.

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## MURDER AND RUN . . .

by Helen Rowe

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with wondering eyes. The next morning the Weaver family was driven off to Doylestown where they were placed in the county jail. Elsie stood watching the spring wagon until it turned a bend in the road. It is said Mrs. Weaver went to a mental institution. The children were put in a home for parentless children.

To this day . . . well over half a century later . . . no part or parcel of Adam Weaver was ever seen or heard from again.

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## THE END

(Author's Note: The author wishes to acknowledge the aid of Fred Young and Elsie Fox Frankenfielder in the recounting of the Adam Weaver case. Without their kind assistance, it could never have been written.)

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Did you know that the Mercer Museum in Doylestown, built and designed by Dr. Henry Chapman Mercer in 1916 has been favorably compared to Frank Lloyd Wright's Guggenheim Museum in an article by an associate editor of PROGRESSIVE ARCHITECTURE which may be read at the Library, Pine and Ashland Streets, Doylestown.

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(Photo courtesy Matt Andrew)

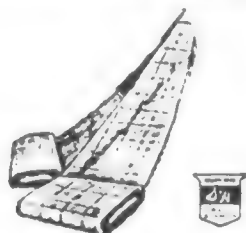
## RAMBLING WITH RUSS

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CONGRATULATIONS: To Dr. William Y. Lee, president and "barn boss" of the Union Horse Company, whose 1963 annual meeting and dinner at the Doylestown American Legion Home was so successful last month. . . . We are 100 percent behind the Union Company in its latest of many projects during the past 128 years, that of sponsoring the Bucks County Horse Show for the benefit of the Doylestown Hospital, to be held Saturday, July 6, on the Douglas Paxson estate at Holicong.

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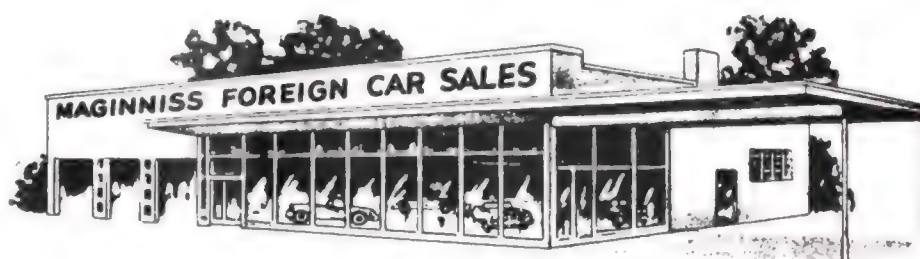


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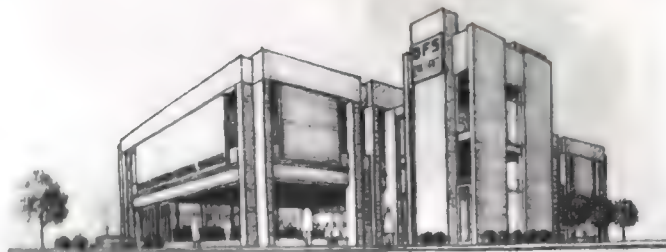
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And who sticks her elbows into us—

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From this deliver us, Good Lord.

From the guy who sags in the trolley car

Who stretches his legs like a fence crossbar

And who saws our necks with the written word

From this—deliver us, Good Lord.

From the malice that breeds toward our kind

From the bitter thought and the biased mind

From envy and spite and the hasty word

From these—deliver us, Good Lord.

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DELAWARE VALLEY'S LIVELIEST MAGAZINE

Bowman's Hill Tower is almost blanketed out with the beautiful trees. This is a delightful spot to visit anytime of the year, but especially nice in the spring.

## EDITORIAL COMMENT

### POLITICS — BUCKS COUNTY — 1963

We have said very little about politics in our fair county for some time, and now all we can say is WOW! This is a real banner year for politics here in Bucks.

To start with, nobody likes anybody. The nobodys and the anybodys are all running for election or re-election. The GOP Committee had supposedly picked all their candidates in advance of even the screening where candidates appear before them to tell their qualifications. Some Democrats accuse their party of the same thing. The split in both the Democratic and Republican Parties is even greater than before. John Welsh, Democratic County Chairman was acquitted on charges of macing, (considered by some a political smear by his enemies), and GOP Chairman Paul Beckert is under fire, and has offered to resign if a replacement could be found. (Mr. Beckert, incidently, is supposed to be the number one person in line for the position of Judge, should Harrisburg allocate another judgeship in Bucks County.)

Before the final chapter is written in November (or even the May Primary), a lot of name calling, name smearing, and political assassinations will take place. Get your programs for your favorite committeeman, cause let's face it, you can't tell the "goodies" from the "baddies" without a program!

### ROADS

So little has been done to our roads this spring that there is nothing but potholes (larger than before) and accidents to write about, so we won't say anything more. Only that our State Highway Department had better snap to, as we feel that a complete investigation of that department should be made! We'd like to know into whose pocket the road repair money is going, because it certainly isn't going into the roads!

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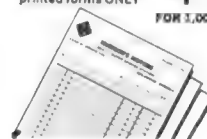
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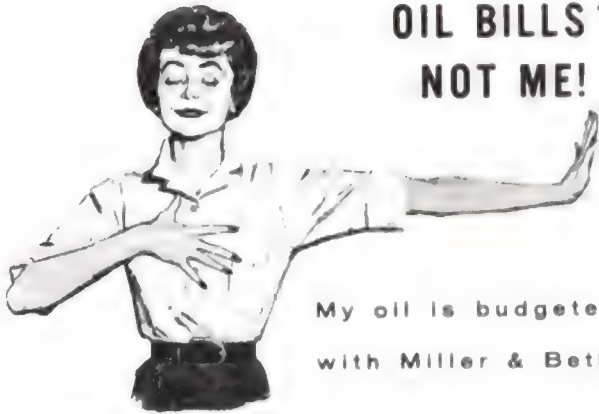
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(Photo courtesy Don Warner)

## Poetry Corner

### LENT

Now is the time to keep the  
Lent,

And so, contrite and penitent  
I stand.

I stand and think that I am  
good,

Then see Perfection on the  
Road.

I bow.

I bow and think I give my  
part.

Then see that He has given His  
Heart.

I kneel.

I kneel and think I pray to  
Thee,

Then hear the Petitioner for

me.  
I vow.  
I vow that I will learn to be  
Worthy of this Sacrifice for me.  
I must.

Julia Brashears Sharps

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Did you know that the Mercer Museum in Doylestown, built and designed by Dr. Henry Chapman Mercer in 1916 has been favorably compared to Frank Lloyd Wright's Guggenheim Museum in an article by an associate editor of PROGRESSIVE ARCHITECTURE which may be read at the Library, Pine and Ashland Streets, Doylestown.

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# Rambling with Russ

by A. Russell Thomas

**NOT GUILTY . . . BUT:** Pernicious Pennsylvania judicial practice which enables a jury to put the costs on a person who is acquitted, should be abolished immediately. Acquitted of a charge of old-fashioned macing, which Republicans as well as Democrats, have been doing for years in politics, a Bucks County jury placed the costs of a \$2,105 trial on former Bucks County Commissioner John T. Welsh, a Democrat, and defendant in the trial. We are happy to know that former Commissioner Welsh, one of the most efficient and trust-worthy public servants that Bucks County ever had in the important office of county commissioner, was acquitted. But why the costs were placed on an acquitted man, is beyond all comprehension. As this column is being written, defense attorneys in the Welsh trial are appealing the jury's verdict so far as costs are concerned. As a Republican all my life, I am hoping that the court will disallow the jury's ruling, and I am quite sure that the eighty or more character witnesses for Johnny Welsh hope the same.

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**APRIL POTPOURRI:** Welcome home from honeymooning in Miami Beach, Florida, Bucks County Sheriff and Mrs. Harold Dando, now residents of Doylestown's North Main Street (best wishes to a grand couple). . . . Why try and reach the moon when it is next to impossible to make the trip from Doylestown to Willow Grove on Route 611, on land. . . . Things don't look too rosy for the merchants who operate their places of business along D'Town's State Street between the Catholic and Baptist Churches, while the street is being widened and resurfaced to keep up with progress." . . . One of the sad sights this past winter in D-Town was the numerous parking meters looking cold and penniless. . . . A friend of mine overheard a well-known Court House character telling a local politician that it would be an appropriate time for the Democrat Party and the Republican Party in Bucks County to marry, if it were not for the possibility that a "Third Party" might be born. . . . The two best summations to a Bucks County jury that I heard in March were made by District Attorney Paul R. Beckert (for the prosecution) and William Murphy Power, for the defense, in "The Trial Of The Month—Welsh Case." . . . Never before in the history of good old Bucks County have there been two women running in a primary election for Clerk of Quarter Sessions Court. . . . It still takes a very exceptionally developed pair of ears to hear what's going on in Court Room No. 1, in our \$3,500,000 judicial wing, unless the recently installed loud-speaker system is in operation. . . . Someone goofed when the acoustics were planned for that courtroom.

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**FLOWER SHOW WINNERS:** Bucks County growers again scored high in the recent Philadelphia Flower Show. Delaware Valley College won top honors with "The Atrium" in the open garden section; Pitzonka's Nurseries, Inc., Bristol, took a coveted honor in the open garden section with "Can Spring Be Far Behind" display. In the commercial carnation competition, the Peter Hellberg Company, Chalfont, carried away top honors. Andre Greenhouses, Doylestown and Southampton, outclassed all others in the hybrid Floribundas class and the cut rose commercial section. Frank Grau, of Doylestown, won top honors in the open orchid section while the famous Ludwig Fetzer, of Hartsville, again carried away top scoring with his orchids.

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**"Neither a borrower  
nor a lender be."**

(Act 1, Scene 111 — "Hamlet".)

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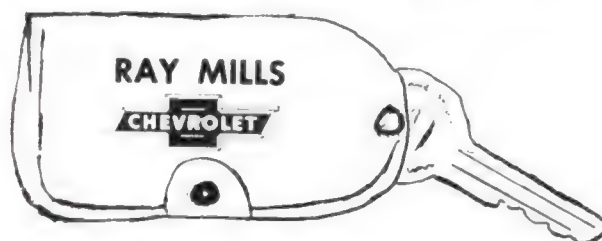
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Stephen Foster, America's most famous composer of folk songs, was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He lived at one time in the Endless Mountains section of Pennsylvania (Bradford County) where he attended Athens Academy at Athens. The nearby village of Camptown (five miles north of Wyalusing) was the inspiration for his song the "Camptown Races." One of the finest buildings in his honor is the Foster Memorial on the campus of the University of Pittsburgh.

Lycoming County led the state last year in number of bears harvested by hunters with a total of 37 during the one-week season. Also in the top five counties during the 1961 bear season were Clinton (21), Monroe and Pike (20 each) and Elk (19). Total harvest last year was 237.

Everyone is a moon, and has a dark side which he never shows to anybody. — Mark Twain

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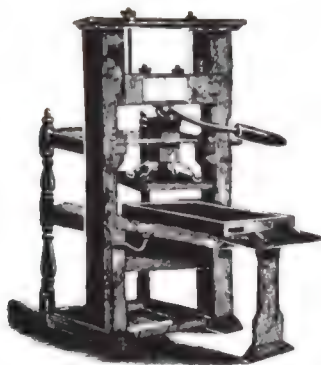


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# The Publisher's Column

## SOVIET PROPAGANDA — DOES IT WORK?

As we Americans sit in our living rooms watching TV, shop at our modern supermarkets, drive our "big cars" to work, and more or less stay wrapped up in our own little worlds, what is happening around us? We hear on the radio that Russia has launched another rocket, that the Reds have just announced that Stanislav Popov was the real inventor of baseball in Russia in 1734 and other such examples of current Russian activities. We smile, and go about our daily tasks, and let the people in Washington worry about it.

The Russians are conducting the greatest propaganda war ever staged, and it is having its effect through out the world. There are two basic themes to this propaganda. One is pointing out what the Communist regime has done for the Russian people, and the other is the great scientific advancements the Russian Scientists have made.

In today's world, with the "Atomic War of Nerves", the basic needs of life or Security, and the feeling of wanting to be on the "winning side" in any future clash of power, are the two driving factors that determine one's allies. This is quite a natural reaction, and the Russians are utilizing these factors most effectively in Europe today.

One must consider for a moment why Europeans feel as they do. Most European countries are not wealthy and do not have the high standard of living such as we enjoy in America today. They consider Americans as very wealthy people, who have no brains, just money. On the other hand, Russia, being partly a European nation, and also in the throes of "pulling herself up by the bootstraps", gives off the feeling of being in the boat with the western Europeans.

The feeling of "oneness" is being used with great effect by the Russians. Sure, the Russians have the butchering in Hungary to live down, but we have the Faus-Little Rock and other such segregation incidents to live down. Therefore, both the US and Russia have their bad points in the eyes of many Europeans.

The main difference is that the belief that the US is the land of opportunity with the streets paved with gold as opposed to the Russian Siberia or Nazism all over again.

How do the Russians approach propaganda? Basically the same way we do, only they have a better opportunity to propagandize the free world than we have behind the iron curtain. Definite "Madison Avenue Tactics" are utilized. Billboards heralding, "With the Communists, you get . . .", the Soviet Radio, books, leaflets, magazines, all paint a rosy picture of life "with the Communists". In my travels I have picked up some leaflets that the Communist propaganda machines have turned out and excerpts are presented here for your study. **SPACE AGE:** In a leaflet entitled, "Facing the Cosmos", the following information is headlined under pictures of The Sputnik:

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**PROGRESS:** "Comparisons of achievements made in different countries are always interesting and revealing. We do not object to comparison. But, we do want to call attention to the following: In pre-revolutionary Russia, the economic level was far lower than in most the western countries. The living standard was appalling. There were shortages of the most vital commodities. Education and culture were with in reach of only a few. This must be borne in mind today if you want a fair appraisal of what the Soviet Union has achieved in raising the living and cultural standards of the people and assess what the past 40 years (under the Communists) have meant to the country.

"But let us go back to compari-

sons. The Soviet Union has outstripped the European countries and is a close second to the United States in the production of key products. Science, education, and the training of scientific and technical personnel in the Soviet Union have made greater progress than the United States. Thus, our COLLEGES NOW GRADUATE NEARLY THREE TIMES MORE ENGINEERS THAN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS OF THE USA! **UNEMPLOYMENT:** "It is common knowledge that every Soviet citizen is guaranteed the right to work. The country's growing economy needs more and more hands. Unemployment has long been stamped out . . . and for good. In our country (Russia) people no longer have to worry about the source of livelihood." **POPULATION:** "WE ARE VERY FOND OF CHILDREN". The population of the Soviet Union has increased by more than 16 million in the last five years, which exceeds the aggregate population of Sweden, Norway and Finland."

**INCOMES:** "The incomes of the Soviet people rise from year to year. Prices are falling, and each family can buy more. Shop assistants have their hands full. In 1957 consumption was greater than in 1940, the richest and most plentiful pre-war year. The amount of goods which in 1947 cost 1,000 rubles, can now be bought for 433 rubles."

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**PUBLIC HEALTH:** "People are still liable to fall ill. They go to a doctor. His advice and assistance, good nourishment, good care, and drugs are provided cost free by the Soviet government. The average life span in the USSR is now 67 years, or more than double that of old Russia."

**WORKING HOURS:** In the

USSR the working day is being reduced. Quite recently it was eight hours. Now it is being reduced to seven, and in some industries to six. Wages are not affected. Production is mounting."

**EDUCATION:** "50 MILLION ENGAGED IN STUDIES. In the 1956-57 academic year 50.4 million citizens engaged in studies in the USSR. This means that every fourth citizen was bettering himself. Four times as many students attend the countrys (Russia's) 767 institutes as in England, France, Italy and Federal Germany taken together.

"It is quite hard to pick the right yardstick to measure the level of scientific development. But now the first earth satellites launched in the Soviet Union, have climbed far into space. The height they have attained — and this everybody sees with their own eyes — speaks of the unprecedentedly high scientific level achieved in the USSR."

This is how the Communists are "selling Communism" to Europeans. All of the previous mentioned phrases are direct quotes from the Russian propaganda. Sounds good, doesn't it? In any circumstances other than our way of life in the United States wouldn't this appeal to you? Wouldn't these "promises" for a better life cause you to think twice? There is one thing that is overlooked in all this glory that the U.S.S.R. preaches. That is the one basic need of all people, no matter what financial status or what educational level they have attained, — that need of Freedom. As long as we in the United States "show the way" with Freedom, the Russian Communist propaganda mills can print day and nite, and the words are just as worthless as the promises they make. But, still, as a Frenchman told me, "It sounds good, doesn't it monsieur."

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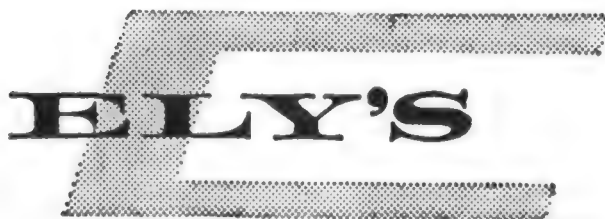


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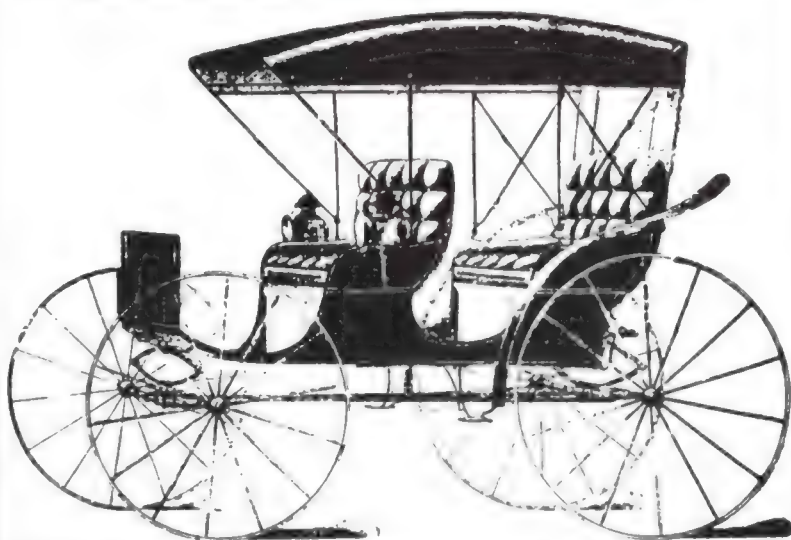


*This is a pottery kiln dating back many years. The famous Diehl Pottery Kiln, located on the property of Robert Duffy, near Quakertown, is perhaps the only one still standing in Bucks County — one of the few in the state.*

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by

**Helen Rowe**



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Coaches and carriages had been in existence for centuries in Europe, but it took America to teach the world how to make a lightweight yet rugged vehicle. Before the turn of the century, when American carriage industry reached its peak both in quality and quantity, this country was shipping all over the world. There were over 700 manufacturers who held membership in the Carriage Builders National Association. During this time, Studebaker Co. was credited with producing "a wagon every 5 minutes of the working day!"





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The streets of cities were flowing with expensive victorias, broughams, landaus, 2-wheeled phaetons, surreys, etc. Individual firms gave their own names to their own stylings, just as automobile manufacturers do today. Each carriage maker had a minor variation in design, such as the location of the seat, the top, the fenders, the dashboard, springs, etc. To each model he produced he gave a trade name to gain distinction, such as "the landalette", or "the victoria". Basically the vehicles ran in several basic styles of carriage, buggy or wagon etc.

The most famous coach of the day was the Concord coach, made in Concord, New Hampshire. Abbot-Downing made the heavy Concord coaches used all over the west for mail and passenger travel. They were models of excellence, looking in appearance very much like the English coach. They possessed an ample body, almost egg-shaped in their tri-dimensional

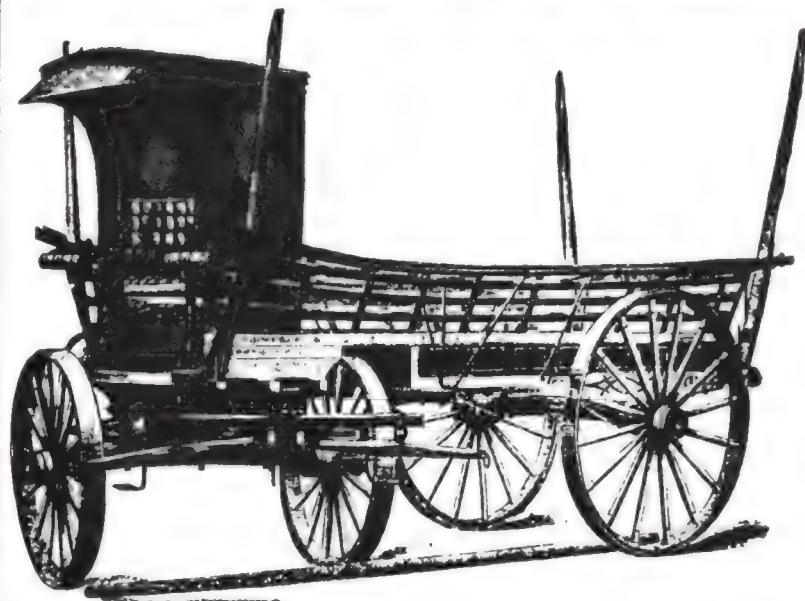
curves . . . a fine piece of joinery. The coach rested upon two lengthwise "thorough-braces" which helped absorb the shocks of rough roads which otherwise would adversely affect the six-horse team. The coaches weighed 2500 lbs. and cost \$1250 up. They carried nine passengers inside and as many more as could cling to the roof! Ads for the Concord coach ran in papers all over the world. "The use of our coaches and wagons on all the Mail routes in America and the English colonies for many years, is a guarantee of their superiority", . . . so said the ads. Africa, for one, amply subscribed . . . the Concord coach was widely used on that continent.

Ads for local carriage manufacturers filled the local papers of Bucks County, too. Two outstanding carriage firms were the Aaron Kratz company in Plumsteadville and the Randall Carriage Factory in Newtown. Kratz built a thriving business that kept scores of workers busy in his plant. The Randall company, built in 1857 by J.V. and W. Randall, was one of the most important businesses of the day. Two sales were con-

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His name sold newspapers. His credo made one big headline — GRUNDYISM. His ideals and principles were uncompromising and misunderstood. His loyalty to his home town resembled fetishism. His ambitions vaulted skyward — but some say his cause was lost along the way.

Was it? Was Joseph R. Grundy of Bristol, Pennsylvania — Lobbyist, Manufacturer, Financier, Businessman, Senator, "maker of Kings" and Philanthropist — as controversial as the publicity would have us believe? Or was he just a man in love with duty. A man who once said, "If a man doesn't take pride in his home town, he isn't likely to give a rap for his country".

"Uncle Joe" Grundy prepared early to make those words his living legend.

He was born in Camden, New Jersey, in 1863. He died in 1961 of hardening of the arteries, at his winter home in the Bahamas — at the age of 98. He lived his life in Bristol — at "Walnut Grove Farm" on the Neshaminy Creek — and as a small boy waded across at low tide.

He was educated in the public schools of Philadelphia, and entered Swarthmore College. His graduation was set for 1880. But there was too much else to do — a world to see, a fortune to make, a town to build. He was impatient. A young man in a hurry. Graduation and Joe Grundy never saw eye to eye.

He found employment with Grundy Brothers and Campion, Manufacturers of worsted wool, of which his father was a partner. By 1887, Grundy had been admitted to partnership.

When his father died in 1920, Grundy became president of the firm.

In 1910, Grundy founded the Pennsylvania Manufacturers Association and set in motion the wheels that would carry his legend along. He unequivocally declared "that anything that is good for the producing interests in Pennsylvania, whether it is a mill, a mine or a farm, is good for the whole state, is good for the United States".

He was vitally interested in banking and finance and was identified with it for half a century.

A member of the Bucks County Advisory Board of the Fidelity - Philadelphia Trust Company, he was also Chairman of the Board of the Farmers National Bank and president from 1918 to 1947. Interested in the Philadelphia National Bank, he was noted once as saying,

"because this area is growing so rapidly, more banking facilities and specialized services are needed on a full time basis. They can be offered only through the larger banks,"

Although active in many diversified fields, politics was his most constant endeavor.

Schooled in the intricacies of political life by his father, he entered the political arena at 21 — and for more than half a century dominated the Bristol, Bucks County and Pennsylvania political scene.

The fledgling politician tried his wings as member of the Bristol Borough Council. During his tenure, he became an outspoken lobbyist on Capitol Hill and a champion of industrial rights.

He was a delegate to many national conventions. In 1920,

he was one of a small group which brought the nomination of Warren G. Harding of Ohio as the Republican party's compromise candidate for President.

Grundy had reached his pinnacle of power. And from his perch, he overseered his kingdom for thirty-five years.

He was a man of absolute loyalty to his friends — if they deserved that loyalty. If undeserving, they didn't remain his friends for long. To his enemies, his stringent attitudes on anything inconsistent with his principles caused him to be hated and feared.

The Grundy creed was conservatism. He became its apostle. He had an unswerving belief in the absolute right of industrial czars.

Essentially, his creed stood for the development of industry with special emphasis on the welfare of those manufacturing concerns within the commonwealth of Grundy's Pennsylvania.

For this development — low taxes so that industry would be encouraged and high protective tariffs at the national level.

But liberal elements placed themselves upon the scene. They made "Grundyism" a synonym for "Bossism" and a dirty word. Like all dirty words, this one hung around for awhile — about a quarter of a century.

But Grundy, who wore a hearing aid in his later years, turned a deaf ear to his detractors and hammered out his case for conservatism and his strategy for political wars — not to mention funds for campaigns.

In 1929, "Uncle Joe" became a Senator.

He was appointed by Governor John S. Fisher, taking a

seat denied by the Senate to William S. Vare, who had been elected in 1926. Vare was barred by the Senate for alleged excessive political expenditures.

Senator Grundy's service was brief. He was defeated in the 1930 GOP primary by James J. Davis. Davis had been Secretary of Labor under President Hoover and was supported by Vare interests.

Senator Grundy was often bitterly attacked by his opposition. They accused him of being against child labor laws, unemployment insurance, workmen's compensation and other social benefits.

Political moguls twisted Grundy's candid statements into epitaphs. Grundy, impervious, built another bridge each time one was dynamited beneath him.

His influence on the political scene began to ebb when he suffered a crushing defeat at the hands of US Senator James H. Duff, Republican of Pennsylvania. Duff had previously defied the Grundy political organization and in 1950, won the GOP primary Senatorial campaign despite Grundy opposition.

But the man behind the name was a man behind a town — Bristol, Pennsylvania.

Grundy was at home best with the folks of his home town. Although a guiding force in the Republican party for many years, his image will remain that much longer in the town he helped to create.

Because of fierce pride and interest in his community, he financed a municipal building, a modern fire department, public schools and highways.

His donations to local charity

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# Joseph Grundy . . .

## Myth or Monarch

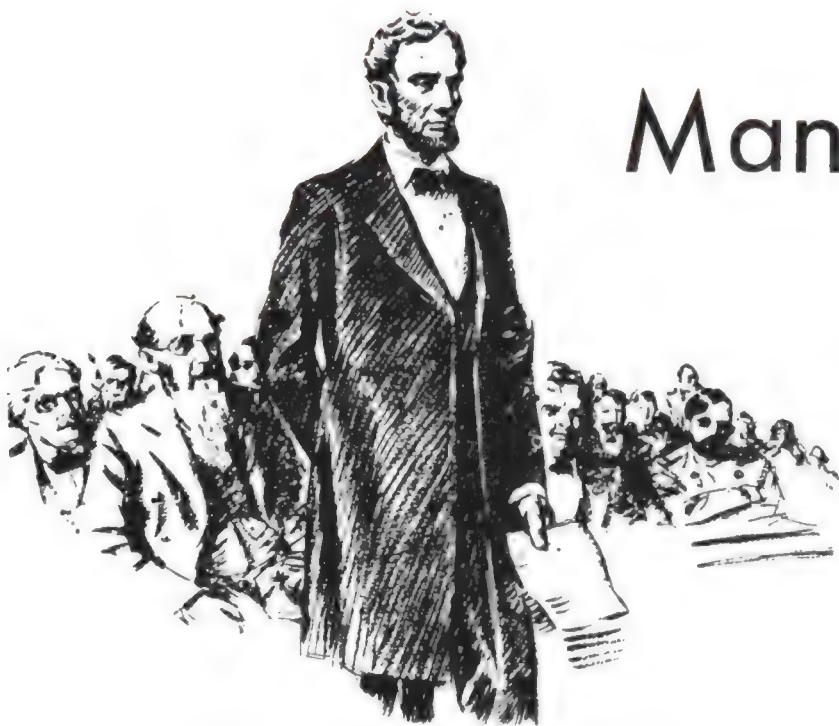
by

Joan Moecklin





*The late Senator Grundy (seated left) is seen here in this photo taken at a dinner at The Fountain House Inn, Doylestown in the early 1950s. With Senator Grundy is (seated right) Senator Everett Dirkson, and standing are The late Senator Edward B. Watson and Pipersville's Bob Brugger. (Photo Courtesy Warren Watson)*



# Man With A Mission

by

Adi-Kent Thomas Jeffrey

Abraham Lincoln once declared "The purposes of the Almighty are perfect and must prevail". He later said of himself "I hold myself... as an instrument of Providence."

These truths were evident even before he was born.

His grandfather, the first Abraham Lincoln, was working in a Kentucky wilderness with his three sons, felling trees when he was shot down by an Indian. The youngest son, Tom, stood rooted in horror by his father's body. The middle son ran for help from the stockade while Mordecai, the eldest, made it back to their cabin like a bolt of lightning and grabbed his father's gun. He raised it, aimed and fired just at the precise moment an Indian in full war paint had reached out to kill Tom. Mordecai's dead strike killed the Indian straight to the heart. Six-year old Tom ran to join his brother in the cabin where Mordecai single-handedly held off the rest of the attacking Indians until help came from the stockade.

Mordecai grew up to be an Indian-hunter. He spent his days stalking and killing Indians wherever he could find them in a lifetime devoted to vengeance for his father's murder.

Tom grew up to a wandering aimless manhood. But his purpose, unknown to him, was great... he married a sweet girl named Nancy Hanks and they had a son, a second child whom they named after Tom's martyred father... Abraham Lincoln the Second.

How did the Indian's murder of his own grandfather affect Lincoln?

During the Black Hawk War in 1831 when 22 years old Lincoln came upon his men beating a red man and about ready to hoist him to a tree limb, he sprang into their midst and swung his long arms about. "Fall back men! Fall back!" he ordered. The Indian held out a shivering aged hand. In it was a pass.

"He's nothin' but a spy, Cap'n... a red devil spy..." The men looked from their captain back to each other's faces. "He deserves to hang. There ain't only one good kind o' Indian an' that's a dead one!"

Lincoln's grey eyes blazed deep. "I said to let him go."

"Say Cap'n... that ain't fair. We know what we're doin'..."

The men took a step closer to the Indian.

Lincoln stretched to his full six feet, four inches height.

"If you want to hurt someone, take it out on me. I'll fight every man of you, before I'll let you touch this helpless Indian!"

The big captain's challenge went unaccepted. The Indian was freed. One of the men of that day telling of the incident said Lincoln saved the life of an Indian at a time when bitter enmity existed between the settler and the red man. His defensive stand for the Indian could have cost him his life. Lincoln never thought of this act as heroic, nor unusual in the light of his background or his uncle's lifetime path of vengeance. It was the necessary act for humanity and justice for which Abraham Lincoln was ever ready to lay down his life.

In addition to the injustice done the Indian in our land, an even more flagrant injustice haunted Lincoln from his youth. As a teenager when he worked a flatboat down the Mississippi he came upon a slave auction in New Orleans. The oiled black skins hurt his eyes. The rattle of the slaves' chains hurt his ears. The whole scene of man's inhumanity to man blazed into his young

mind. He turned to his companion, John Hanks, with a vow that he never forgot. "John, if I ever get a chance to hit this thing... I'll hit it hard!"

This vow became Abraham Lincoln's unrelenting goal. It became his blazing God-sent mission in life.

In an early speech made in Springfield during the Harrison Presidential campaign, 31 year-old Lincoln voiced this vow publicly. "Here, without contemplating consequences, before Heaven, and in the face of the world, I swear eternal fidelity to the just cause, as I deem it..."

Eighteen years later in the same city Lincoln took his next courageous stand for right. At the close of the Republican State Convention which nominated him for the

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# SPRING



*A Spring Preview of Easter Clothes  
as featured in the Bucks County Shops*

by  
**Peggy Gehoe**

(Photos by Richard Kaplinski)

Easter is a wonderful time of the year for everyone, but for ladies of all ages, it means a time for a new hat. Just a few of **MABEL KELLER'S** exciting new collection are shown here.



Popular with the girls this spring is the Gaucho style, borrowed from our South American neighbors. Mrs. Keller's lovely granddaughter, Nicki Hartzel of Central Bucks High School chooses hers in a rough red straw, with matching grosgrain bow. (\$7.95).



To compliment her lovely white hair, Mrs. Keller wears a high crowned feminine style, covered entirely in blue flowers with a small straw braid brim and blue velvet trim. (\$11.95).



Women have always been partial to the picture-hat style and Mrs. Ada Houck of Doylestown selected hers in a broad brimmed black straw, with black velvet band and trimmed with a delicate pink silk rose. (\$16.95).





(above)

Jewel Renner really sets off the Bucks County Panoramic mural at Conti's Inn, in a three piece outfit by Nan Wynn, in middle blue from **The VOGUE SHOPPE'S** Spring Collection. It has a mandarin collar on the short jacket, a beige print over-blouse with string tie, jewel neck and capped sleeves. The skirt is straight with a kick pleat in back. (\$19.95). The outfit is completed with a navy blue purse (\$5.95) and gloves (\$3.95).

(above, right)

For luncheon "with the girls," Jewel is smart in this black linen-like dress by Nan Wynn from **The VOGUE SHOPPE**. The voluminous silk sleeves are white with large black coin dots. The 2 piece dress features a sleeveless cropped top that buttons down the back. (\$14.95). The "little girl" black Breton sailor hat is of rough straw (\$5.95). The bag is black with tortoise shell trim (\$5.95). Gloves, (\$3.95).

(right)

Dinner at Six, and Jewel wears a lush white wool suit with leopard trim, by Natalie Green from **The VOGUE SHOPPE'S** Spring Collection. It has the new short packet, double breasted and flap pockets (\$39.95). Her hat is a 'vision of spring' in peach tulle with an orange velvet band and set off by a lovely orange silk rose (\$5.95). Gloves (\$3.95)

The setting for these photos is the historic **CONTI CROSS KEYS INN**.





Showing all the sparkle and vitality of youth and spring, Bonnie Brown wears the newest style for spring '63 . . . a three piece cape suit from the **Carriage House**, Doylestown. Her version is a pink wool crepe lined in a pastel silk print that matches the blouse. The blouse has short sleeves and a bow tie neck. A straight skirt beautifully sets off the rippling cape. Sizes 7 to 15. (\$54.98)

For the tailored sophisticate, Mrs. Samuel Willard (at right) models a two piece ensemble of textured silk tweed from the **Carriage House**, Doylestown. The two-tone effect is achieved from the brown binding trim on the fully lined beige coat. The sheath dress has a brown shantung top with scoop neck and cap sleeves. The straight skirt matches the beige tweed coat. Sizes 12 to 18. (\$34.98)

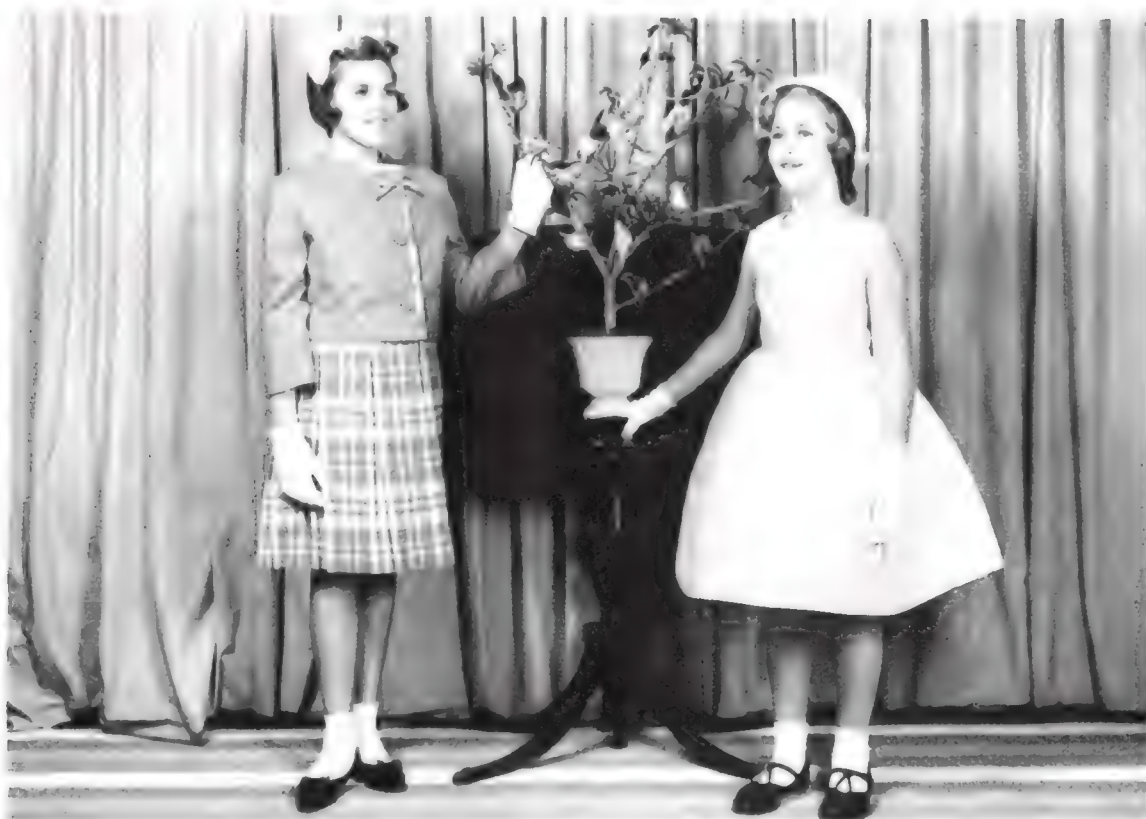




For church or visiting, Mrs. James Gibbons of New Britain (right) selected this lovely lime wool 3-piece suit from **MUSSELMAN'S** suit department. It has "the Chanel look" in the straight collarless jacket that is striking with three graduated shades of lime on the jacket front. A matching over-blouse has a soft rolled collar with a looped tie (\$35.00). Her wisp of a hat is a beige circlet with matching rose and veil (\$2.98). The bag is bone leather (\$8.98). The gloves are in beige (\$3.00). (Plant courtesy Elble Florist.)

The Easter Scene is never complete without new outfits for the young girls. Below, Joan and Judy Klumpp are showing their Easter Outfits from **MUSSELMAN'S** Girls' Department. Joan (left) is wearing a coral and white plaid suit with a cartigan jacket and pleated skirt (\$13.98). Her outfit is completed with a flowered hat band (\$1.98) and shortie white gloves (\$1.00).

Younger sister Judy is strictly feminine in pink and white. Her dress is a "Lilly Bee" from **MUSSELMAN'S**. The blouse of the dress is a delicate pink, with a full white skirt, bordered in pink and white lace (\$7.98). Judy's Easter Bonnet is a white rough straw, finished with a pink velvet band and streamers (\$2.98). Gloves (\$1.00). (Bird tree courtesy ELBLE FLORIST, New Britain. Photos by James Barlow.)





Judy Smith (above) is ready to order Easter dinner at CONTI'S INN. She is charming in a gay, red wool bouclé suit from **ELY'S DRESS SHOP**, Doylestown. The suit is flattering with the new short length fitted jacket, and a pert winged collar, accented by the matching looped tie. The skirt is pencil slim. She wears it with a small black box bag and black shortie gloves, one button length.

This spring's most popular color is PINK . . . and here Jewel Renner looking blonde and delicate, wears a pink wool coat by Natalie Green from **The VOGUE SHOPPE**, Perkasie and Doylestown. It features the new dropped self-inserted belt style, reminiscent of a bygone era (\$35.00). Black ruching cover hat (\$5.95), Black marshmallow bag (\$5.95) and gloves (\$3.95).



The setting for these photos is the historic **CONTI CROSS KEYS INN**.



Something "for the boys" from **MUSSELMAN'S** Boys' Department, is the ever popular wool blazer. Steve Klumpp (right), a Lenape Jr. High School student selected his in black with brass buttons (\$14.98) and paired them with grey flannel slacks (\$5.98). (Photo by James Barlow.)

Below, Doug Sanders of Lenape Junior High School sports a Botany sport coat and tapered slack set from **ELY'S BOYS' DEPARTMENT**. The coat is in a small green, blue and black plaid, Dacron and cotton wash and wear. It is complimented by the charcoal black, tapered slacks that also are wash and wear. The coat is available in sizes 12 to 20 (\$19.95) and the slacks come in sizes 12 to 20 (\$6.95).

For the young men-about-town John Rudolph (bottom right) has selected a charcoal brown sports coat by Campus from **RUDOLPH'S** of Doylestown. It is a subdued muted plaid of blue and copper (\$18.95). The tapered look is featured in the dacron and cotton slacks he wears with the coat (\$5.95). Over his arm, he carries one of the new rain or shine coats, strictly tailored in style with a gay plaid lining (\$14.95).



# The Accent's on Shoes



The small mid-heel is gaining in popularity with all women and here is a soft bone colored Natural Bridge Shoe with matching grograin trim (\$12.95.) Shown with it is a matching purse in the luxurious Marshmallow that resists scratches and scuffing. (\$3.41 Tax Incl.)



The black patent leather is always a first sign of spring for women and here is a new version with side interest and grograin ribbon whipped around the vamp. (\$6.95)



Patina is easy to care for and the colors lend a new hue to shoes. This style is in three graduated shades of beige to tan.



For the most in comfort and style, the older girls and women will choose this bone colored flat by Ki-Yaks. (\$7.99.)





The gleaming black patent leather 'Mary Jane' style for the little ladies has traditionally completed their outfits. **Nyce's Shoe Store** this one by Edwards. (\$7.99.)



Mothers may prefer this saddle type oxford for the little girls and this is a good suit-shoe for the little ones in two-toned tan by Polly-Parrot. (\$6.99.)



For the men, we see Nunn-Bush in a circular tip, Darwin brown leather dress shoe (\$19.95.)



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## Man With A Mission

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United States Senate, he delivered the famous "House Divided Speech". He said, "'A house divided against itself cannot stand'. I believe this government cannot endure permanently half slave and half free... It will become all one thing, or all the other."

His words aroused the people like a fireball at midnight. His constituents warned he had tolled his death knell. A close friend, Dr. Long said, "Well, Lincoln, that foolish speech will kill you... will defeat you for all offices for all time to come." Lincoln replied, "If I had to draw a pen across and erase my whole life from existence, and I had one poor gift or choice left, as to what I should save from the wreck, I should choose that speech, and leave it to the world unerasable." Assailed by friends at Bloomington, Illinois, he responded firmly, "You may think that speech was a mistake; but I have never believed it was, and you will see the day when you will consider it the wisest thing I ever did."

Shortly after the earth-rocking speech, Lincoln came out publicly in its defense. "Friends," he said, "I have thought about this matter a great deal, have weighed the question well from all corners, and am thoroughly convinced the time has come when it should be uttered; and if it must be that I must go down because of this speech, then let me go down linked to truth... die in the advocacy of what is right and just. This nation cannot live on injustice. 'A house divided against itself cannot stand', I say again and again." Lincoln lost the election. His opponent, Stephen A. Douglas was reelected to the senatorship.

But two years later there followed the convention of 1860 and the nomination of Abraham Lincoln as candidate for the presidency of the United States. Douglas lost and Lincoln won the greatest prize of all. As Judah P. Benjamin, the famous Southern senator put it, "(Lincoln) stood upon principle, and was beaten; and lo, he is the candidate of a mighty party for the presidency of the United States..."

In a campaign speech in the State House at Springfield later on, Lincoln presented the foundation on which he was to build his future office of the

presidency. It was a wholly spiritual foundation cemented and reinforced with faith, courage, love and an unwavering sense of a mission to perform. "I know there is a God, and that He hates injustice and slavery. I see the storm coming, and I know that His hand is in it. If He has a place and work for me, — and I think He has, — I believe I am ready."

Over a year later, as President of the United States, Lincoln told the Senate Chamber at Trenton, New Jersey, "... I am exceedingly anxious that this Union, the Constitution, and the liberties of the people shall be perpetuated... I shall be most happy, indeed, if I shall be an humble instrument in the hands of the Almighty... for perpetuating the object of the great struggle."

A great struggle it was. The first two years of the war were dark for the North. One military defeat after another. At home, Lincoln was assailed by elements for and against slavery. The issue was multi-sided; the pressures manifold; the repercussions universal. He knew the effects of abolished slavery would be felt in the counting rooms of New York; the mills of Lowell, the looms of France... even as far away as in India and Australia... all whose very existence depended upon slave labor.

Yet, Lincoln could not divert from the compelling command he forever heard, "Let my people go!" He began to formulate an Emancipation Proclamation. When to release it? He did not quite know for sure. These were the days the lifeguard in the White House used to see the president reading the Bible in the early morning hours long before others were up; and on his knees in agony of prayer at night, long after others had retired. Lincoln later wrote, "I have been driven many times to my knees because I had nowhere else to go."

The war went blacker. The rebel army was at Frederick, Maryland, edging into Pennsylvania. Lincoln then made a pact with God. If the Confederates would be driven back from the borders of Pennsylvania, he would issue the Proclamation of Emancipation! This vow, he made despite the

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# MURDER!

by  
Helen Rowe

It was early in the morning on March 8 in the year 1904 that two young people were going about their preparations for the day as though it were any other day. They had a lot

in common. Both lived in the village of Erwinna, both were young, both were goodlooking, they had been lovers together.

But this morning there was one great difference. One be-

lieved it was just another Tuesday morning; the other knew it was the last day on earth. One only knew she was going to teach school; the other knew he was going to kill.

The murderer-to-be was 19-year old Paul Weaver. He lived and worked on his parents' farm just outside the village of Erwinna. He had an oval face with sensitive eyes and a dark bang of hair that constantly swept his forehead. He did his early morning chores on that fateful Tuesday without a qualm. To his mother and father, he was his usual obedient hard-working self. After lunch, however, they noticed he did a strange thing,—he went up to his room and changed into his best Sunday clothes. By 2:30 he was outside hitching the horse to the carriage. Without a word he then drove off towards the village. Teenagers did funny things like that, so his parents shrugged and went on about their work. After all, Paul was in love . . . had been in love with pretty Mary Wyker, the 22-year old school teacher of Tinicum township, ever since they'd been in school together. Paul was not a happy boy in love, though, for Mary had been turning him down a lot recently when he'd ask her to the church taffy pull or a sleigh ride. Things were not the same between the two since Mary had returned from college and set to teaching that fall.

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## JOSEPH GRUNDY— MYTH OR MONARCH?

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"I was brought up," he once said, "with old fashioned ideas of doing right, fearing no man and loving my country. I have tried to do all three."

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# I Can't Afford A Carriage

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ducted yearly in Newtown and at each sale time, the whole of State street from Jefferson to Green was lined with buggies and wagons for sale.

Then came the advent of the automobile. After the turn of the century, one by one, carriage factories all over the country closed up shop. The more than forty carriage trade associations disbanded. Technical schools for teaching the craft closed. The literature of the carriage trade became dispersed, destroyed or forgotten. By the mid-1920s the carriage and wagon industry was almost extinct. Only a rare concern still exists, such as one in a small town in Indiana who advertises new buggies, carts and surreys built to order in 6 weeks time. Soon this too will go, as even the most rural areas have given up the buggy-ghost.

With factories and even the old specifications and plans all gone, a once-prominent industry is fading into oblivion. The new generation is growing up without any understanding of what the world of the horse-and-carriage was like. Museums exist of nearly every kind of American memorabilia, except for the carriage factory.

Many residents in Newtown harbor the dream that maybe some magic hand can save the crumbling remnants of the Randall Carriage Factory on State street at Jefferson. What a treasure were some historical-god-mother able to save the building and make it into a carriage factory museum! Perhaps even as this is read, it is already too late. The building was sold at auction some months ago. At night the light inside burns . . . not as of old . . . but awaiting some new plans. If this is too late to be saved, many history-loving residents in some other town with the remains of a carriage factory, work towards the end of preservation.

Something similar has been done in England. A few years ago, Sir Garrard Tyrwhitt-Drake persuaded the Corporation of Maidstone in Kent to make a carriage museum of the 14th century stables and coach-house of the Archbishop of Canterbury. It has been done and is now called "The Maidstone Museum of Carriages". There is still a need somewhere for a carriage factory museum.

If Bucks County could contribute this, or any town in America, it might bring to the young eye and heart a small idea of the incomparable thrill of hearing or seeing a horse-drawn vehicle clomping and careening along the roads. This surely was part of that fast-moving, strong stuff of which America is still made.

(Ed. Note — At Hopewell Village National Park, near Pottstown, many carriages are on display in the barns. They have little to do with the rest of the exhibits at Hopewell Village, but a mighty fine collection. Persons interested in seeing carriages still used, need only drive out Route 30 toward Lancaster. The Amish and some Mennonites still drive carriages, although they are all very "plain".)

## MAN WITH A MISSION

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fact that he had presented the proclamation document some weeks before to his cabinet. Every single member voted against it. But now, the pact was with his God, not man. The answer was plain. The South was pushed back.

Lincoln called together his cabinet and told them of his pact. "I determined as soon as it (the rebel army) should be driven out of Maryland, to issue a Proclamation of Emancipation . . . I made a promise to myself . . . and . . . to my Maker. The rebel army is driven out, and I am going to fulfill that promise. I have got you together to hear what I have written down. I do not wish your advice about the main matter, for that I have determined for myself."

Lincoln was acting on behalf of his undeniable mission against all human odds.

Three months after, on January 1, 1863, Abraham Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation. The negro was free.

Sparks flew from every quarter more than ever. The administration was accused of a "fanatical love for the negro . . . willing to violate the Constitution, rob the tax-payer and wrong the white laborer for the sake of the African race." Even religious men denounced emancipation as the attempt to "amalgamate to-

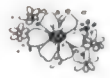
gether two races in violation of God's will!" Newspapers carried notices such as the following in the Doylestown Democrat in Bucks County.

"Know well enough that if slaves of the South are cast loose upon the North — either by emancipation, confiscation, or any other act you please — that their employment would be materially if not entirely cut off within cannon shot of Newtown Hall, Byberry Hall, Pineville Hall and Langhorn's Hill."

From other quarters the president received glowing support. As one New York newspaper put it, "We are now putting the axe to the root . . ."

Yet still the war went darkly for the North. A vast sin still needed to be removed . . . more than a proclamation declaring freedom for the slave. An acknowledgement of the sin of slavery was needed and the general acceptance of its removal. That slavery was a sin was a deep-rooted fact in Lincoln's mind. At Richmond following the evacuation of that city in early April of '65, Lincoln walked its streets, followed by negroes swarming about him in gratitude. "My

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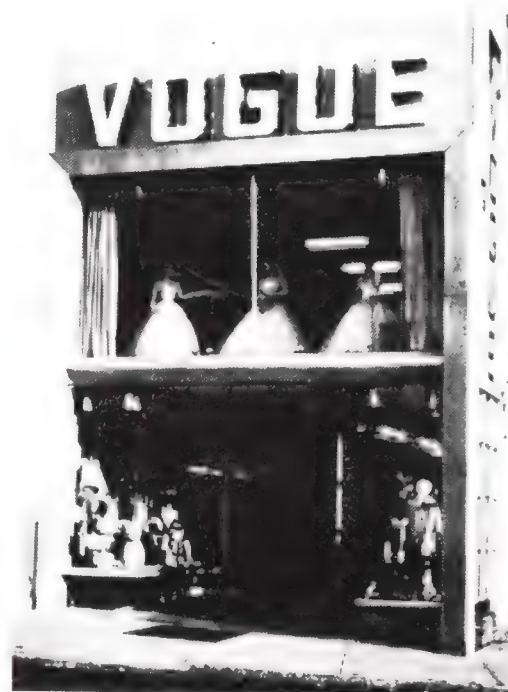


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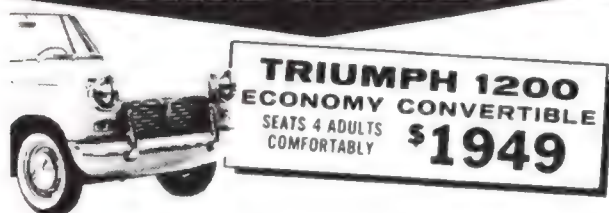
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poor friends," he said, you are free... Liberty is your birthright. God gave it to you as he gave it to others, and it is a sin that you have been deprived of it for so many years."

The sin of the acceptance of slavery haunted Lincoln. He could not rest until he had, with God's help, thrown light into this dark passage. He once said to a minister visiting him in the last days of '62, "I told myself... as an instrument of Providence. I have my convictions of duty, and my notions of what is right to be done..."

I see now in the light of this our national struggle as I have never seen before. God only knows the issue of this business. He has destroyed nations from the maps of history for their sins. Nevertheless, my hopes prevail generally above my fears for our Republic. The times are dark, the spirits of ruin are abroad in all their power, and the mercy of God alone can save us."

A few months after he spoke these words, President Lincoln took another unprecedented step. He proclaimed a National Fast Day. He issued a proclamation declaring April 30th, 1863 a "day of National prayer, fasting and humiliation in acknowledgment of our great sin as a people."

Some quarters were silent. Others picked up the command in understanding and humiliation. Everywhere towns and countries of the loyal states reacted in observing the Day of Fast. The day was a Thursday, but with places of business generally closed and the churches filled, it took on the air of a solemn Sunday. The Bucks County Intelligencer reported the National Fast Day in Bucks County.

"In Bristol, Newtown, Doylestown, New Hope and Lambertville places of business were mostly closed — appropriate discourses were delivered in various churches. The whole population appeared conscious of our dependence upon the favor and compassion of a kind Providence as the means of deliverance from national trouble."

Typical of words from pulpits all over the North were the sermons of two ministers in Bucks. The Reverend S. M. Andrews of the Presbyterian church in Doylestown said, "As a nation we have become boastful of our strength and

security, oppressing and robbing the poor Indian and despoiling him of his territory and making gold our idol and forgetting God." He then referred to "our great absorbing national sin — that of holding in bondage several millions of God's creatures..."

From the pulpit of the Doylestown Episcopal church came the pronouncement, "God's judgments upon nations are for their reformation or for their destruction... our present desolating war... is the righteous visitation of the vengeance of God upon us for our national sins... We cannot hope for relief until we repent and put away the sin. Unless we as a nation and people and individually are intent upon this — the setting apart and observance of a Day of National Fasting and Prayer is nothing better than a mockery." He then concluded with the core of Abraham Lincoln's contention, "Unless the great mass of the people acknowledge this wrong (slavery) and become willing for its removal, the desolation will not be stayed!"

Two months later after a crushing defeat at Chancellorsville and an invading push by General Lee into Pennsylvania, the North got up from its knees. It held the line at Round Top and Little Round Top and Cemetery Hill and threw back Pickett's charge at Gettysburg. On July 4th, Lee withdrew. The North had a great victory! That same day President Lincoln put out a Proclamation of Gratitude... "The President announces to the country... news from the army... a great success to the cause of the Union... for this he especially desires that on this day, He... be everywhere remembered and ever revered with profound gratitude."

Lincoln spoke to some friends later about this crucial period. "On many a defeated battlefield there was a voice louder than the thundering of cannon. It was the voice of God crying 'Let my people go.' We were all very slow in realizing that it was God's voice, but after many humiliating defeats the nation came to believe it as a great and solemn command... Since that the God of battles has been on our side."

Within a year, General Lee had surrendered at Appomattox.

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# Murder!

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While Paul was driving with thin determined hands and gaunt staring eyes towards the little Union schoolhouse, a revolver weighing his worn Sunday-Best suit pocket through as he jogged along, Mary Wyker was doing nothing so consequential. She was sweeping out the schoolroom with a well-worn broom and smiling to herself over the antics of some of her pupils that day.

Through the silence there was a sound outside. Carriage wheels crunched over the frozen twigs winter had strewn about. She leaned the broom in a corner, and gathered a strand of lustrous dark hair back into the heap at the crown of her head. She peeked through the open door.

It was Paul.

Dear, sweet Paul. Dear wearisome Paul was here again. Well, it seemed nothing would discourage his attentions, though heaven knows she'd tried. Right now, however, with the March winds snapping along the river's edge, his carriage was a welcome sight.

"Want a ride part way home?" he was calling. His thin face looked even thinner today, she thought. Mary grabbed her shawl, pulled it over her shoulders with a benign smile as much as to say: thanks, Paul, I appreciate the lift. . . . but it won't do you any good! I still can't love you anymore!

The carriage drove as thoughtfully as its driver. Mary kept from looking at Paul because she thought it best. But she did think he was unusually quiet. She almost wished he'd blurt out something vitriolic and get it all over with once and for all.

But he said nothing. They rode along in silence. She began to wonder what the Furnaces would be serving for supper . . . it was the best-feeding boarding house in those parts. Paul was wondering at just precisely what moment in time or what point along the road he should kill her.

Ahead lay the crossroads. To the right a road dropped down towards the Delaware; to the left it wound up a steep hill towards Erwinna and Frenchtown.

Mary gathered her wool shawl tighter about her high-

collared throat, slipped the drawstrings of her reticule over one wrist, and looked at Paul with delicately-arched brows. Her full round face beamed towards him for a moment like a pale daytime moon. "Thank you, Paul. I'll get out here and walk the rest of the way. You've been very kind. . . ." She slipped one buttoned boot out of the buggy step and alighted. Paul dropped the reins, snatched the gun from his pocket and fired. The bullet drove into Mary's back. She screamed and turned horrified. He fired again. She grabbed her stomach, the dainty reticule swinging from her wrist as though she were on a dance floor. He fired again, the bullet stinging into her leg. She crumpled.

In a moment there was no sound but the crunching of the carriage wheels on the frost-bitten road.

Mary did not die then. She was a girl of strength and determination. She dragged herself a quarter of a mile back to the Furnace house, leaning from fence post to fence post. Pulling her weight from tree trunk to tree trunk. In one final burst of agony she dragged up the stairs and into her bedroom where she collapsed on her bed. Mrs. Furnace found her there shortly afterwards and called Dr. Harman of Frenchtown. He came as fast as buggy wheels could take him and removed two of the bullets. But he knew immediately that nothing could save Mary Wyker. She was dying.

Paul Weaver drove straight home. It was about 5:30 in the evening when he got there. He unhitched the horse and put him in the stable. His father was just trudging towards the house at that moment. Mr. Weaver looked back over his shoulder. He stared at the boy a moment, then plodded on. "Hurry along, boy . . . it's suppertime."

But Paul never saw that supper. He went up to the second story of the barn, pulled a half peck measure kept in the granary there over to a place beneath an oak beam and stepped up on it. He tied a rope to the beam and a noose end about his neck. He took a firm grip on the revolver in his pocket and shot squarely into his right temple, careening off the measure as he did so.

Only minutes later his father came looking for him and found him hanging there, still

warm, the blood oozing from his temple. The boy made sure his suicide would succeed.

The end of that week Erwinna saw two funerals. The townsfolk crowded first into one, then the other.

Mary and Paul shared one other thing in common . . . death.

Mrs. Weaver wept and said over and over words which have come from a murderer's mother's lips so many, many times. "I can't understand why he did it! Paul was always such a good boy. He never smoked, drank, or travelled with bad company. . . ."

The Bucks County Intelligencer wrote it up that week under the simple heading: *Double Tragedy at Erwinna.*

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In so saying did not Abraham Lincoln give us each a mission... as lovers of liberty everywhere to join in the good work of keeping the freedom of the world so that millions of free, happy people the world over, shall continue to rise up and call us blessed to the latest generations?





Bucks County has many picturesque and well known spots for dining and entertainment. Perhaps one of the best known is The Doylestown Inn's "Jug In The Wall" bar. An actual old jug has been built right into the wall, and water comes out of the mouth of the jug, making an unusual conversation piece from a water spigot. Shown here mixing a cocktail is Innkeeper Archie Liebowitz.

(Photo by Richard Kaplinski)

## Dining Out In Bucks

Celebrities, scenery and good restaurants are three of the things that have carried the name of Bucks County to the far flung corners of the world. In presenting a "panorama of Bucks County", we at Panorama Magazine felt we must present some more information on the fine culinary art as it is practiced here in Bucks County.

Naturally, just because a restaurant is located in Bucks County with some picturesque setting, does not necessarily mean the food is excellent, good or even passable. Many persons who visit us here in Bucks, plus "us home folks" often wonder about a certain restaurant, or have a yen for "something different". We can't afford to go all over the county trying out restaurants to find one we like. Thus, this special series or articles.

Panorama has no intention of setting itself up as a "Michelin Guide" and we will not rate a restaurant. Each month we will list and review some of the finer restaurants, tell their specialties, atmosphere, entertainment, etc. This feature will not be a paid advertisement for a restaurant. This will be our candid opinion. Many will

not agree. However, it will be impossible for a restaurant to "buy their way" into this column. We will select restaurants of our own choosing or by reader suggestion.

We further feel that "If you can't say something nice, say nothing at all". Restaurants that are a disappointment or are not "worth their salt", will not be written up. We invite your comments and suggestions on this series.

### WATER WHEEL INN

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everything there has a story behind it—and it usually does.

The Water Wheel has quite a history behind it, which was written in Panorama some months back. Today we concern ourselves with the food.

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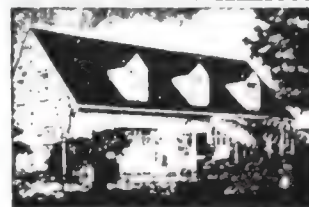
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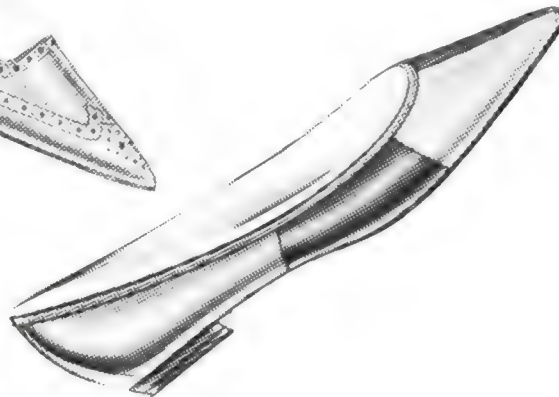
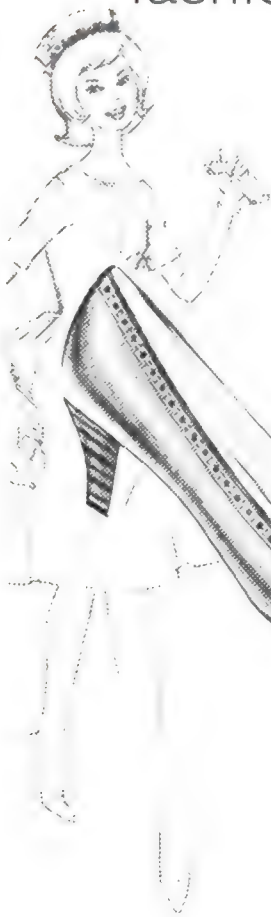
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Bridges were eliminated in the following counties: Adams, Bedford, Clinton, Dauphin, Juniata, Lancaster, Perry and Washington.

Of the 57 remaining covered wooden bridges at least one is located in each of the following 19 counties: Adams, Bedford, Berks, Bucks, Chester, Clinton, Columbia, Cumberland, Dauphin, Erie, Greene, Juniata, Lancaster, Lehigh, Northampton, Northumberland, Perry, Sullivan and Washington.

The oldest bridge in use is in Allen Township, Northampton County. It has a span of 96 feet on Legislative Route 48061 and crosses Hokendaqua Creek. It was built in 1840. The newest, built in 1902, is between Harrison and Napier Townships, Bedford County. It carries L.R. 05097 across the Raystown Branch of the Juniata River, on a 130-foot span.

Adams and Columbia Counties have seven covered bridges standing, although two in Columbia County will soon be replaced by modern structures.

In some instances a new highway and a new bridge are built at a nearby location and the old bridge is turned over to a political sub-division or historical association for preservation.

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April 1963

After a winter that seemed to never end, we are finally in the spring season, and summer is just around the corner. We were beginning to think that there would be no spring or summer this year, what with all the snow and ice and really uncalled for miserable weather. Just think, soon we will be complaining about all the heat and humidity, and longing for the cold days past. Guess that's human nature.

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Thanks to Philadelphia Radio Station WIP disc jockey JIM TATE for the nice remarks on his popular radio show about Panorama. After reading an issue of Panorama, Jim was surprised to see that Bucks County was so beautiful and urged all his listeners to come visit Bucks County (and buy a Panorama).

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We had a telephone call from HOWARD ARNOLD of the Greater Bucks County Fair recently telling us of some of the fine entertainment signed to appear at this year's Fair. One of the persons signed to appear was HAWK-SHAW HAWKINS, who unfortunately was killed in an accident later that week. Still slated to appear, though, is MINNIE PEARL and other top stars of "Grand Old Opry". The Fair promises to be "really big" this year, so best mark the date on your calendar, (August 20 to 24) so it won't conflict with vacations, etc. You won't want to miss it. There are booths available for commercial, industrial and fraternal organizations who wish a display. Howard Arnold in Silverdale is the man with the information on that.

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CONGRATULATIONS to Sheriff and Mrs. HAROLD DANDO, "the newlyweds of North Main Street". Mrs. Dando is the former Mrs. Reynolds of Doylestown. The couple took a short honeymoon trip to Florida. Best of luck to these nice people.

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Philadelphia no longer has the corner on singing talent. A 15 year old gal from nearby Lansdale, PEGGY MARCH, is really making a name for herself in music circles. Her new record "I Will Follow Him", recorded on RCA Victor records, is taking its place in the top hits of the day. It was a "pick-hit-of-the-week" on WABC in New York, and made the best selling charts all over the country. Congratulations to this little local Miss, and we wish her all the success!

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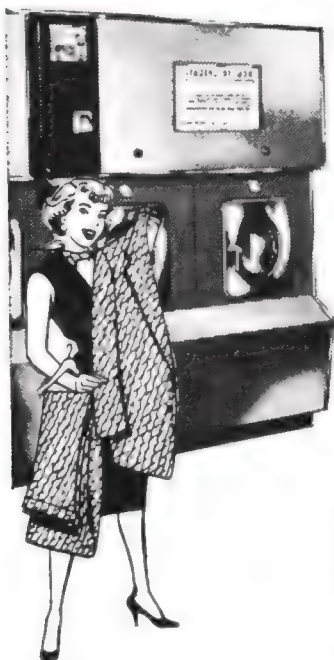
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Sometime later this month, Panorama Magazine will move into its new home in "The Panorama Building" at 354 N. Main Street, Doylestown. Extensive alterations are now going on to prepare the building for us. The continued growth of Panorama Magazine, and the other publications published by Panorama made the move necessary. An "Open House Day" is planned for sometime in May. Watch next month's Panorama for the date.

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Our good friend GEORGE LYNCH of Southampton has just recently been promoted to Commanding Officer of Company "D", Pennsylvania National Guard, with headquarters at The Armory on Shewell Avenue, Doylestown. George told us there are a few vacancies in the local guard unit, and interested applicants should call or stop in at the Armory. Company "D" goes on their annual two week encampment in June of this year.

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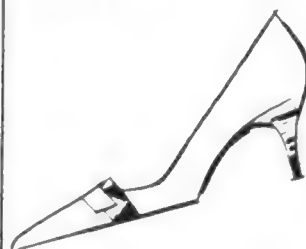
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## Around Town

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Dr. READING H. RUFÉ of Chalfont has been appointed Medical Director of Neshaminy Manor Home, Bucks County's Home for the Aged. Much new equipment and physical improvements of the medical facilities were completed recently.

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An Open House Tour of eight old Bucks County homes between Historic Fallsington and Washington Crossing Park, Pennsylvania, will be held on Saturday, October 12th, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., \$2.50 per person. The event will be sponsored by Historic Fallsington, Inc., a non-profit corporation dedicated to the preservation of this colonial village.

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Bucks County High Schools are turning out some fine students these days as evidenced in the report that reached us recently from Delaware Valley College. Eight Bucks County students attending the college were on the Dean's List for the Fall Semester. Three of these Bucks County students attained a perfect academic rating of a straight "A" average. (Only 6 students in the school achieved this honor, and three (3) were from Bucks!) They are: BRYAN M. GEBHARDT, Doylestown; EDWIN G. BISHOP, Perkasie; and CLARENCE G. MYERS, Chalfont. Other local students who made the Dean's List include, JAMES K. FEE, Washington Crossing; JOSEPH J. BEITZ, Edison; L. WILLIAM KLEMENTISZ, JR., Perkasie; HENRY E. McCARTER, Bristol; and JOHN H. PRICKETT, Warrington. Congratulations to these boys, they deserve it!

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Planning a nite "on the town"? There are many local spots offering entertainment on weekends that you might want to visit. The Gobbler's in Point Pleasant offers "The Dixieland All Stars", one of the top area groups; Eddie King's in New Hope offers feature "DERF NOLDE" and his Dixieland Band; Twist bands may be found at The Rendezvous in New Hope; WILMA KUMMER entertains on the accordion and organ at The Doylestown Inn, and many other spots feature small groups and piano music. There's lots to do in Bucks County, all year round.

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"MISS CENTRAL BUCKS" will be crowned later this month at a "Miss America" Pageant preliminary to be held at Central Bucks High School in Doylestown. The affair, sponsored by the Chalfont-New Britain Jaycees will be held on April 20th. Ticket information, as well as girls interested in entering the pageant, should contact DICK BACH, Jaycee Chairman at 348-9988 or JACK HUDAK, Jaycee President at 822-0707, or any member of the club. It will be an affair you won't want to miss. Remember, Miss Bucks County for last year, LINDA BERLINGER, came from Central Bucks County.

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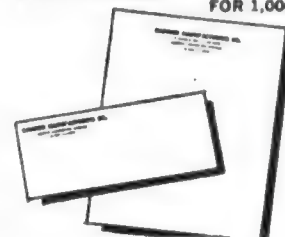
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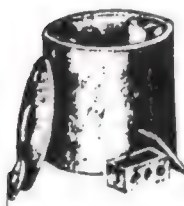
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Jim ... on tour

Tinicum's JAMES MICHE-  
NER has been tapped for  
duty by the Kennedy Admin-  
istration in Washington to do  
an analysis of "how the war  
is going in South Viet Nam."  
Jim was the unsuccessful  
Democratic candidate for  
congress in last fall's elec-  
tion. Another book is in the  
works, about a girl's view of  
a small Pennsylvania town.  
Jim states it's "non-politi-  
cal".

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The BOB BRUGGER's of New  
Galena and Pipersville have  
been away on a short vaca-  
tion in Virginia.

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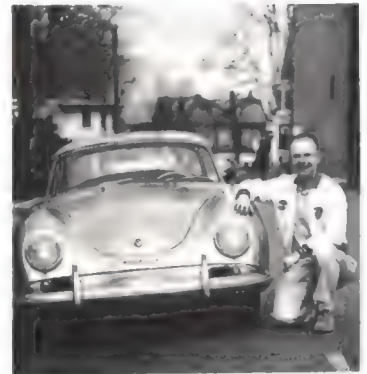
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The Delaware Valley Philharmonic Orchestra will hold their last concert for the 1962-63 season on Saturday evening April 6, 1963 at 8 PM. HENRY KERR WILLIAMS is Music Director and Conductor, and the guest artist for the evening will be ELLSWORTH L. E. MOYER, JR. who will play Mozart's Violin Concerto in A major. An open house will follow the concert. Concerts are held at The Woodrow Wilson High School, Levittown.

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The students at Delaware Valley College of Science and Agriculture will present their annual science and agriculture show, "A" Day on April 27th and 28th. This is well worth a visit if you've never been to an "A" Day before. There is no admission charge.

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Recently, while reading the English magazine "PUNCH", we were amused to read the short review of Mike Ellis' play "Come Blow Your Horn", now playing in London. The review states, quote, "Come Blow Your Horn — a second-rate American farcial comedy." The show played on Broadway, has a London company, a road company, and is being made into a movie. We bet Mike Ellis wishes he had a few more "second rate farcial comedies" on the boards.

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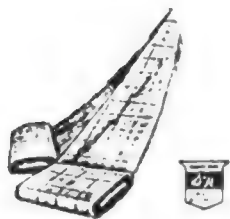
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**ODDS AND ENDS:** Dates not to forget are Saturday, June 2, the annual Doylestown Village Fair for the benefit of the Doylestown Hospital; Saturday, July 6, the first annual Bucks County Horse Show sponsored by the Union Horse Company of Doylestown, also for the benefit of the Doylestown Hospital, to be held on the picturesque Paxson Estate at Holicong. . . . The new home of the Doylestown Federal Savings and Loan now under construction on North Main Street opposite the \$7.5-million Bucks County Courthouse, promises to be one of the finest banking buildings of its kind in the county. . . . The time will soon be here when a U. S. mail distribution center will be established in Doylestown, in a building to be leased by the government for that purpose. . . . The center will be moved from Jenkintown to Doylestown, where mail will be sorted and then sent out on U. S. mail trucks for delivery to various post offices in the district. . . . The new distribution center will be in operation 24 hours a day, seven days a week, for sorting and distribution only. This is known as the Metro System. The days of the railroad mail cars are about over.

**MY WORLD WAR I DIARY:** Just 44 years ago this month I received a special order signed by General "Black Jack" Pershing from his A.E.F. Headquarters in France, with instructions to report to "The Stars and Stripes" office in Paris, where I was given a roving reporter's assignment to cover troop embarkation back to the United States. I bid goodbye to my pals of the 649th Aero Squadron (Romorantin, France), and headed for Paris and a most exciting assignment as a member of the First Censor & Press Company. As a member of the very first contingent of United States newspapermen to make a complete trip over the A.E.F. and Germany, it was just 44 years ago this week, aboard the A.E.F. Press Special, that I visited Camp Pontanezen at Brest; Bordeaux, Is-sur-Tille, general headquarters at Chaumont, Chateau Thierry, Soissons, the St. Mihiel Salient, the Meuse Argonne, Verdun, Coblenz (Germany), and Cologne (Germany) on Easter Sunday, 1919, and then back to Paris.

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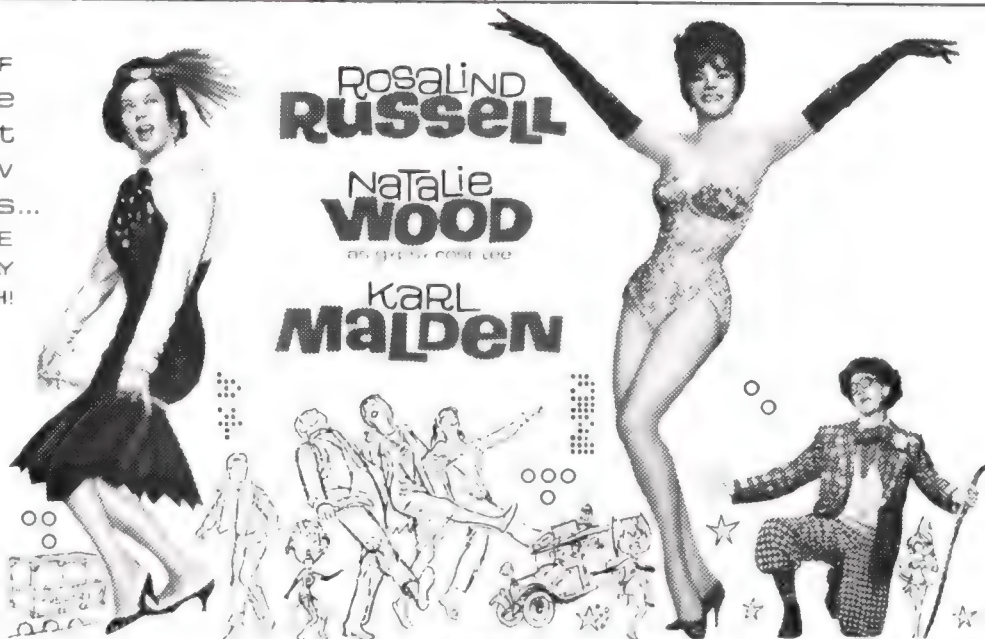
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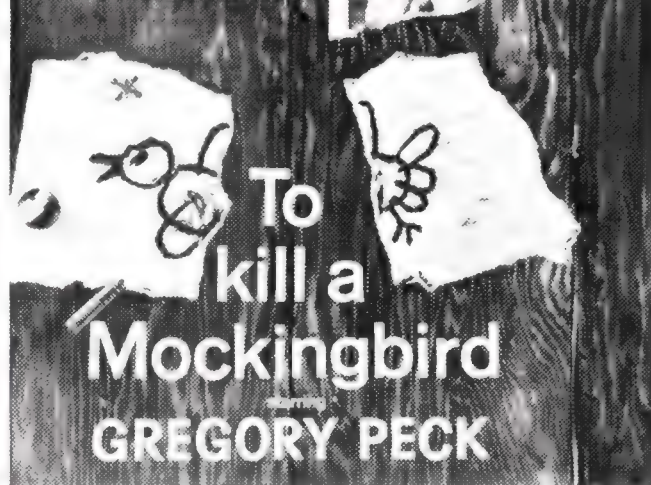
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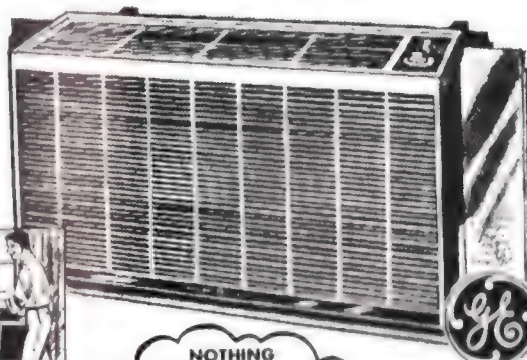
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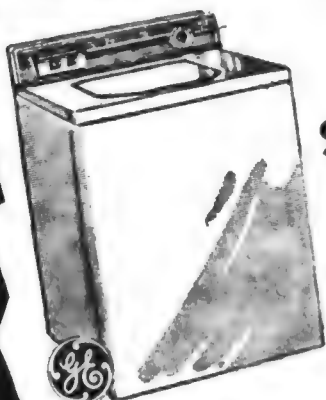
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Dear Mr. Alliger:

Please accept the most grateful thanks of the congregation of St. Patrick's Mission, Dublin, for publishing the article on our Mission Chapel in March's edition.

The layout of the illustrations used were very, very well done. I heard many very favorable comments on this from those who read the article.

Rev. John J. Morley  
St. Patrick's Mission  
Dublin, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Just a note of appreciation to you and Mr. James Doyle, author of the article on St. Patrick's Mission and Rev. Joseph B. Muldoon which appeared in the March issue of Panorama.

It was a beautiful tribute to Father.

Incidentally, Chester, (Pa.) has been very well represented in Dublin by three native sons, Father Muldoon, Father Morley and Reverend Davis.

Mary C. Muldoon  
Margaret K. Muldoon  
Chester, Penna.

### Fans

Dear Mr. Alliger:

A cousin in Doylestown kindly passes her copies of Panorama on to me. Being retired and enjoying a scrapbook hobby, your magazine has been most helpful. I was delighted with the February issue giving the article and pictures of the old school house in which my grandfather taught school.

In another issue — the Doan Outlaw article means so much, as grandfather told us many tales about them.

Miss Edna Strohm  
Perkasie

Dear Sirs:

You sure picked a good name for your delightful magazine — takes in our whole family — Pa-Nora-Ma.

Mrs. M. Wendel  
Doylestown, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is my subscription for Panorama.

My sister in Ardmore (Pa.) has been getting Panorama for some time, *but will not give her copy away as she saves them.* I would like to start saving them too.

Mrs. Rae Schlett  
Philadelphia, Pa.

### Libraries

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Would you be so kind as to place our library on your subscription list to receive PANORAMA each month. The current issue will be placed on our periodical rack where it will be available for use by students and faculty. Later, the issues will be filed for future reference and research.

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Ed. Note — We are always happy to see that interested libraries receive complimentary Panorama subscriptions. Every Bucks County and nearby Montgomery, Philadelphia and New Jersey libraries have been getting PANORAMA for their files and reference for some time.

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Effie G. Kuhn  
Free Public Library  
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### Carriage

Dear Editor:

We read your magazine every month. The April issue has an article regarding the carriage and wagon works of Aaron Kratz, Plumsteadville. My father, Oliver James Kratz, was the youngest brother of Aaron and was associated with him in the business selling carriages and sleighs.

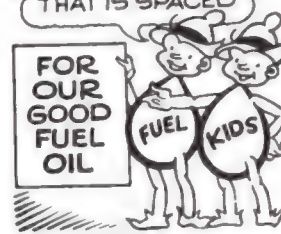
We are the eighth generation and my brother, Howard L. Kratz, and my sister, Lottie Lee Kratz, was born in the Kratz home adjacent to the shop. Studebaker made an offer

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(Photo courtesy Roy C. Kulp)

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In Washington, half the people are just waiting around to be discovered and the other half are afraid they will be.

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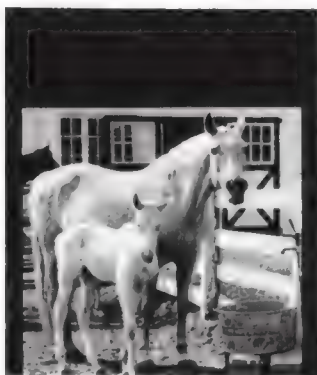
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## OUR COVER



Our cover this month shows a spring scene at Gassert's Farm near Neshaminy. This mother and her colt pausing for a drink of water were captured on film by Panorama Photographer Richard Kaplinski.

## WELCOME TOURISTS

This is the time of the year when folks come from the four corners of the world to visit "Beautiful Bucks County". The internationally famous Bucks County Playhouse is open. Our hundreds of fine restaurants are preparing to greet the largest number of visitors ever to come to Bucks. The trees and flowers are blossoming. Yes, it's vacation time again.

We at Panorama wish to bid all our new friends "welcome to our beautiful county". There is so much to see and visit with-in our boundries. We hope you get a chance to see as much as you can. We further urge our many readers out of state, who are planning a vacation trip, that they consider Bucks County as at least a stopping point, if not the place to go.

It's great to be in Bucks County, especially in summer.  
Yo'all Come!

## PROGRESS

This month marks another great stride in the growth of your magazine, Panorama. We have recently moved into our new suite of offices in our own building, "The Panorama Building" at 345 N. Main Street in Doylestown. Our new expanded space and facilities will enable us to move even further ahead with the growth of Panorama.

Few persons realize that Panorama Publications, Inc. not only publishes Panorama Magazine here in Bucks County, but also publishes "Table Tennis Topics" for national distribution for the U. S. Table Tennis Association. We also edit and publish "The Guardian" for the Woman's S.P.C.A. of Pennsylvania. Our printing department handles printing jobs of every nature and has grown so rapidly that printing business has tripled over the past year. We are very happy about this growth, none of which would have been possible without the aid of you, our readers.

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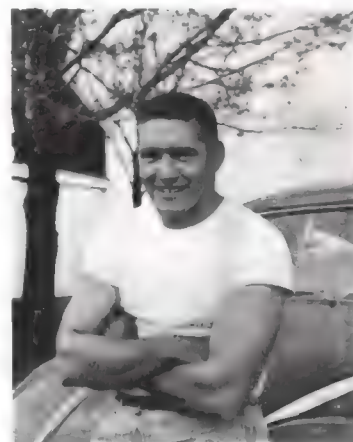
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## Miss Central Bucks



"Miss Central Bucks County" was crowned recently at festivities held at The Central Bucks Hic CBHS Doylestown. (Standing L. to R.) Miss Joy Rodman Hitchman, 1st Runner up; Miss Eleanor Herling, former Miss Philadelphia; and Miss Press Photographer; Miss Margaretta Commilla Gross 2nd Runner up; Miss Lynn Bingler, commentator and former Miss Congeniality, Miss Bucks County Pageant. (seated center) Miss Rose Marie Gawronski, Miss Central Bucks; Miss Lynn Mae Gardner and Miss Janice Shane, co-winners of the title Miss Congeniality. The Miss Central Bucks Pageant was sponsored by The Chalfont-New Britain Jaycees, Richard A. Bach, chairman.

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# Rambling with Russ

by

A. Russell Thomas

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MONTH OF MAY MEMOIRS

**TWENTY-FIVE Years Ago:** Led by Councilman George E. Willard, the Kiwanis Club of Doylestown visited the D-Town Water Works, pride of the late councilman . . . Perkasio school tax raised from 17 to 19 mills and Sellersville's from 12 to 15 mills . . . First steps taken by Supervising Principal J. Leonard Haldeman to secure a 12-acre tract for new Central Bucks High School . . . Dr. B. F. Fackenthal re-elected president of Bucks County Historical Society . . . District Attorney Edward G. Biester addressed monthly meeting of Bucks County Federation of Fraternal and Social Clubs at Doylestown Maennerchor on "Law Enforcement and the Liquor Control Act."

Winners at the 17th annual Child Health Clinic's "baby party" under direction of Mrs. Harris Holmes were Rexford Fell, Lee Brown, William E. Trauger, Esther Holkey, Edward Rohrman, John Brown, Mary Louise Gilbert, Oliver Miller and Robert Diehl . . . Doylestown's Herb Highton made it from D-Town to New York City on a bicycle in exactly eight hours . . . Fabulous plans started for Doylestown's Centennial Celebration, D-Town's greatest of all weeks . . . Doylestown Boro Council suggested at May meeting the widening of Main and State streets and fixed the tax rate at 10 mills . . . Joseph F. Worstall took over as Council president to fill vacancy left by resignation of Ben Horner . . . The May primary 25 years ago saw Superior Court Judge Arthur H. James carry Bucks county over Gifford Pinchot by a majority of 13,671 in the county's 106 polling places . . . Attorney Howard I. James of Bristol polled 13,072 votes for Senator in General Assembly with Charles Meredith, Jr., of Quakertown polling 3830.

The May Grand Jury (1938) passed upon 56 bills of indictment and recommended: "For safety sake and to make it more pleasant for everybody, humans as well as cattle, the jury recommends that the cows and the bull at the Bucks County Home farm be dehorned and a larger and more substantial exercise pen be made for the bull, and a chain attached to the ring in his nose . . . The foreman was Jacob H. Shoemaker and the secretary was Jeanette W. Zeek . . . D-Town racing fans Harold Hellyer and Lester Kohl left for Indianapolis to attend the Memorial Day "500" . . . Judge Calvin S. Boyer sentenced two carnation thieves who stole 2500 Mother's Day blooms from the Hellberg Greenhouses in Chalfont to 6 months to 3 years in the County Prison . . . Miss Caroline Fellman, Doylestown High senior, was chosen "Miss Doylestown," the Centennial Queen of 1938, and Miss Virginia (Ginger) Shaw, of Pebble Hill, was named "Miss Columbia" . . . Two-hundred persons witnessed the laying of the cornerstone of the new Doylestown Hospital and heard the address delivered by Rev. Charles F. Freeman.

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**FORTY YEARS Ago:** Mrs. William C. Ryan was re-elected president of the Doylestown Village Improvement Association . . . Raymond (Germany) Wodock's 1923 Doylestown baseball team in the Montgomery County League started off the season by shutting out Lambertville Snags, 14 to 0 with a lineup composed of McKeon, ss; Speith, lf, p; Nick Power, rf; MacAllister, ss; Dollington, 2b; Stultz, 1b; Sharkey, c; Nick Bradley, p; Gulick, rf; Blair, p; Abe Zinn, 1b; Frost, c; Burns, lf. (Game played on Worthington Field).

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Just 25 years ago this month, the cornerstone was laid at the then new Doylestown Hospital. How many faces can you recognize in this photo taken in 1938? (Photo courtesy Bucks County Historical Society)

Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Power, of Shewell Avenue, entertained at Doylestown's Social Center in honor of the sixth birthday of their son Billy (The Infant Babe Ruth), now Attorney William Murphy Power, head of the law firm of Power, Bowman and Valimont . . . In attendance at Master Bill's sixth birthday shindig were the following: Sara and Billy Atkinson, Dorothy and Molly Taylor, Ruth and Alice Kolbe, Doris Weidner, Rita Buckborn, Helen and Edith Lightcap, Sara Deemer, Evelyn Archer, Hannah and Betty Satterthwaite, Bertha Helm, Jane Cobb, Jane Keller, Ruth Ferris, Marjorie Boyer, Betty Berg, Ethel Waddington, Isabelle Johnson, Harry and Stewart Mann, E. Taylor, Rudy Hein, Carl Leidy, Junior and Dillwyn Darlington, John Lewis, Dick Witte, Harold Hadley, Billy Miller, Junior Smith, Charles Horner, Millard Robinson, Charles Meyer, Franke Frye, Jack Cobb, Sonny Eastburn, George Beidler, Jr., Bobby Smith, Buddy McLaughlin, Newell Bisbing, Edward Godshall, Tom and Bud McKinstry and Betty Power.

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**FIFTY YEARS Ago:** Roger Kroute bought a Doylestown milk route . . . 38 marriage licenses issued in May in Bucks county by Clerk Edmund Michener . . . 37 cases listed for May criminal court . . . Coldest May in 6 years . . . Betsy Ethan, Dyers' fast little mare was clocked in 2.23½ in the free-for-all on the Warminster Driving Club's track at Hallowell, beating out Worthington's Star Boy . . . Deputy Recorder of Deeds Bernard McDonnell of New Hope, brought each fellow worker in the court house a fine big shad and announced that a 176-pound sturgeon had been caught at Frank Scarborough's Fishery . . . Birthday congratulations for Claude S. Wetherill . . . Frank Brown pleaded guilty to horse stealing on the oath of Liveryman Cornell of Newtown and Judge William C. Ryan sentenced Brown to 5 to 10 years in the penitentiary.

The Doylestown school board took steps toward a new school building when the old Brock Building on Court street was sold and razed for a new school and a \$20,000 bond issue approved . . . Doylestown Boys Brigade baseball team defeated Ambler, 3 to 1 with a team composed of Bertles, 3b; L. Selner, rf; E. Selner, 2b; Gulick, lf; Snedaker, cf; Adler, c; Thomas, 1b; Thierolf, p; and N. Selner . . . Doylestown's Princess Theatre featured Shakespeare's "As You Like It" on the movie screen for five and ten cents admission . . . Rev. W. E. Steckel delivered an illustrated lecture on Cuba and Costa Rica in the Doylestown Presbyterian Church.

Joseph Foster, whose duel with "bottled joy" ended in a knockout for him on the third floor of the Taylor Building on D-Town's East State street, was sentenced to 10 days in the

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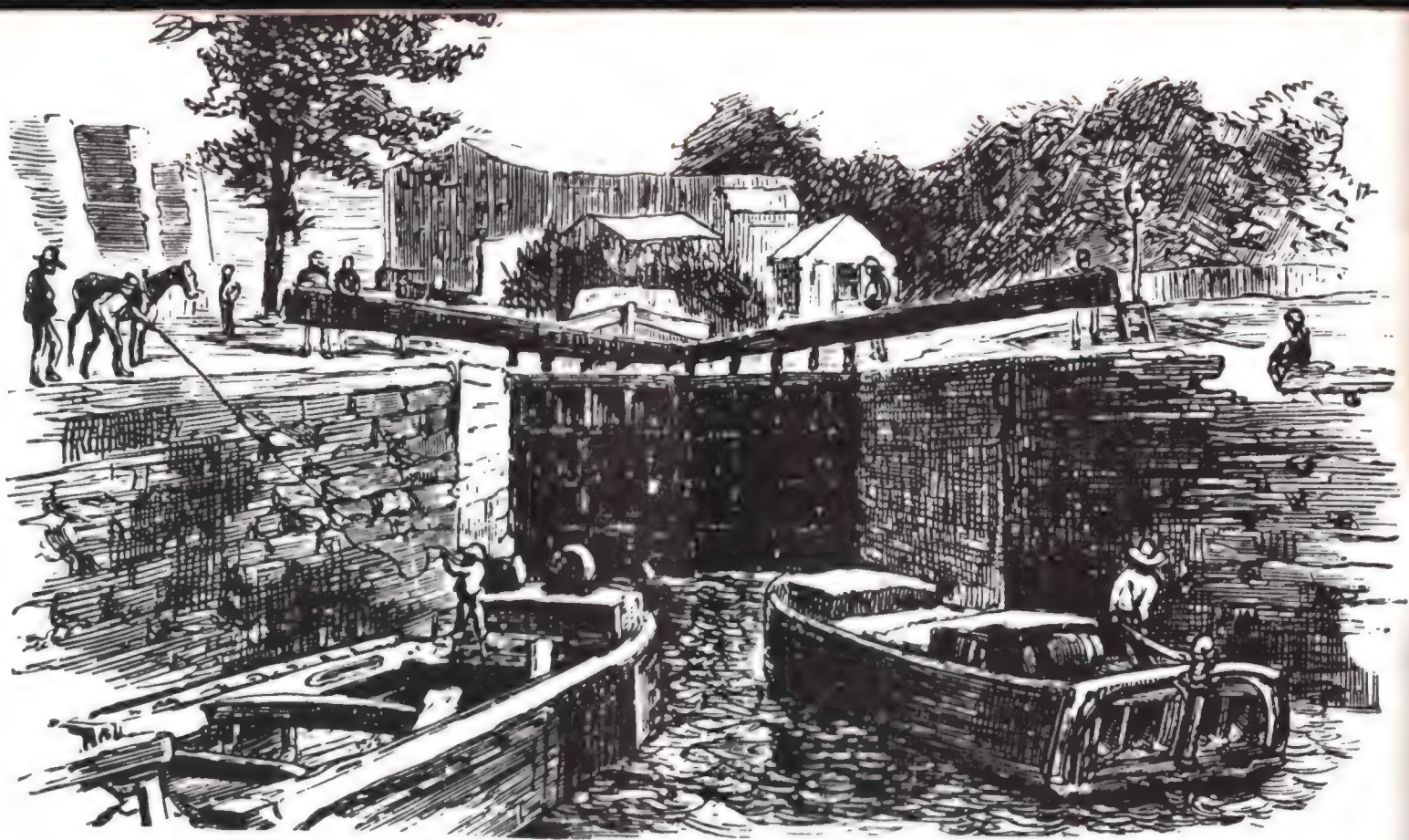


# THIS IS BUCKS COUNTY!



*The changing face of Bucks County is reflected in Bucks County's new multi-million dollar courthouse. This aerial photo by Jim Barlow shows the "modern" court house and its contrasting surroundings.*





# Life Along The Delaware Canal

by  
Marjorie E. Alliger

Ever since the Egyptians built the first canal in 2,000 B. C., joining the Nile River to the Red Sea, men have used these man-made rivers to transport goods from one place to another.

As early as 1791 the people of Pennsylvania began to consider inland navigation, but it wasn't until 1825 that the Legislature passed an act creating a Board of Canal Commissioners. April, 1827 was the date of the first official sanction for a canal in the lower Delaware Valley, Michael Fackenthal, grandfather of Dr. B. F. Fackenthal, Jr., former president of The Bucks County Historical Society, was one of the most ardent champions of the Delaware canal.

The enthusiastic and energetic Thomas G. Kennedy was

appointed Superintendent of Construction with Henry Sergeant as Chief Engineer and they opened an office in Bristol. The corps of surveyors began work about July 1, 1827. The length of the canal from the mouth of Mill Creek at Bristol to the level of the Lehigh River at Easton was 59 miles and 60 perches. The fall from the Easton end to the Bristol terminus was 159 feet.

\$100,000 was appropriated with the proviso that the average cost per mile should not exceed \$12,000. The first section of the canal which commenced at Mill Creek, Bristol, extended up the Delaware Valley for 18 miles. According to Place Names in Buck's County, "On Saturday, October 27, 1827, a great crowd of people from both sides of the river, in-

cluding some distinguished guests, gathered for the formal ground breaking ceremonies. A procession lead by William T. Swift as Chief Marshall, followed by engineers with instruments, workmen with spades and other tools, Peter Ihrie, Jr. of Easton and George Harrison, the ground breakers, in a carriage; laboring men with wheelbarrows, plows and horses, canal contractors, clergy, Colonel Peter A. Brown, orator of the day and members of the Legislature of Pennsylvania marched through the town to the stirring music of a band." Following Col. Brown's address, the ground breaking ceremony was accomplished with "the removal of two generous barrow loads of earth".

In April, 1829 Supt. Kennedy advertised for proposals

and when the bids were opened at William Shouse's Inn at Easton, it is amazing to learn that 400 contractors bid on the job.

After the work had commenced, great excitement was caused when workmen excavating in Durham Township uncovered 18 cannon balls about 3 feet under the surface and found beneath them a number of human bones!

In July, 1830 a section of 25 miles between Bristol and New Hope was finished and water was let into the canal at New Hope. Since the water wheel at Wells Falls had not yet been built, it is not known how this was done. The water flowed down the canal as far as Morrisville but because of the porous condition of the ground, it ended there.

The first recorded trip on the



canal was made late the same month, when 40 people journeyed as far as New Hope and back, a distance of about 4 miles. At that time the water measured 2½ feet deep. Another trip was made in August by a group of 70 to 80 people from Upper Makefield. Their boat was drawn by two horses and was called the Governor Wolf in honor of the Chief Magistrate. Again Place Names describes the boat as "fitted with awnings overhead and the sides, stern and bow were decorated with laurel and evergreen pine. The fore and aft cabins were well stored with the choicest provisions and the mid-ship filled up with seats and avenues for the accommodation of the passengers and crew. The boat put off from Aqueduct 3, near the mills of Mr. Knowles, and wended her way for a few miles down the canal. She then tacked and passed up to New Hope, going at the rate of 4 miles an hour. The Governor Wolf was greeted by long, loud and hearty cheers from the throngs of spectators who had assembled in groups along the line to witness the delightful spectacle."

By March of 1831, up-river traffic all passed through the canal to avoid the rapids in the river between Bristol and New Hope. A daily line of packet boats was established that same month to run between these two points. Twenty tons of coal ordered by Joseph Hough came through the canal from Easton to Point Pleasant in November and another shipment arrived in Lumberville.

Due to heavy rains and melting snow, the entire canal was

not opened in 1852 and many spots between Easton and New Hope were submerged. Lower Black Eddy had 8,000 yards of embankment washed away. The Lumberville wharf was wrecked and there was much damage. Hundreds of men were put to work as soon as the flood subsided and they completed the entire division between Easton and Bristol. It wasn't until September however, that enough water collected to begin business operations. At that time 17 Canal boats, each carrying 30 tons of coal came through from Mauch Chunk to Philadelphia. It took 2 hours and 25 minutes to go through the Tinticum Lock #16.

The Delaware Division proved to be the most important and profitable of all the State's internal improvements. As the ground became settled, seepage and breaches in the canal were practically eliminated. The tolls collected at Bristol and New Hope alone amounted to \$16,044.35 in the year 1835. That same year a dam was built across Durham Creek and a feeder 1800 feet long carried water to the canal to increase the supply above New Hope. Sometimes as many as 3,000 boats moved back and forth between Easton and Bristol during the year. The report of the toll collector for the year 1855 showed a total of \$388,914.63 and the total weight of coal shipped from Easton was 755,265 tons.

In 1856 the canal began to feel the effects of the competition of the railroads. The State sold the canal in 1858 to the Sunbury and Erie Railroad

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Keeping the canal open to barge traffic was the job of this dredge, shown in action on the Delaware Canal many years ago. (Photo courtesy Flora K. Henry)



This old photo shows a work barge leaving the locks at Smithtown. (Photo courtesy Flora K. Henry)



They had "barge rides" many years ago. Here a group has lunch while cruising down the canal. (Photo courtesy Flora K. Henry)



Charging toward the locks at Smithtown, a barge loaded with goods comes into view in this old photo. (Photo courtesy Flora K. Henry)



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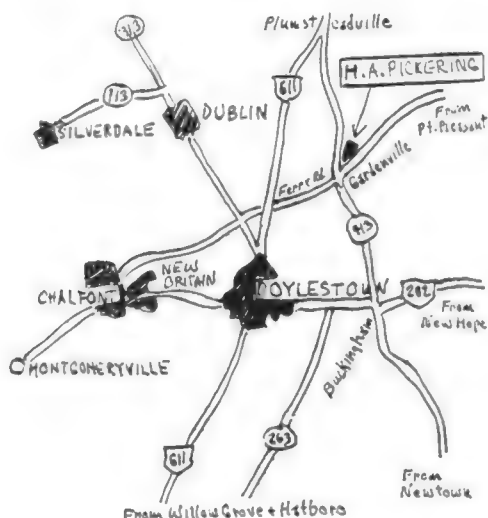
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Harriet Fox,

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### ROSE CARE IS EASY

Roses are the most popular flower grown in home gardens and yards according to research reports compiled in the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture.

Thomas Yerkes, an associate with one of the nation's leading rose growers and an officer of the Pennsylvania Nurseryman's Association, agrees with the public opinion reports and adds that roses are actually one of the easiest plants to grow. He believes this is one of the reasons accounting for the popularity of the rose, along with its beauty and fragrance.

The commercial rose grower believes that anyone can grow roses as long as they get the plants off to a good start. He recommends the following easy steps in planting roses:

1. Remove the packaging around the roots of the plant. Soak the roots in water. This first step is not necessary for potted roses or pre-planted roses, as the planting directions you receive with these types of rose will inform you.

2. Dig a hole 18 to 24 inches across and the same

depth so the roots of the new bush can be spread out.

3. Mix a shovel full of peat moss with every two shovels of soil removed from the hole. Advance preparation for a rose garden is better. This extra time allows for the settling of the soil following the preparation of an entire bed with rotten manure, compost or peat moss.

4. Next, refill the bottom of the hole with a layer of the soil mixture. Place the plant in the hole to the proper depth and spread out the roots. Fill in the soil around the roots to within four inches of the top of the hole. Tamp in the soil so the plant will be stable.

5. Finally, fill up the remainder of the hole with water and allow it to seep down to the roots of the plant. After the soaking, add soil to fill up the hole to ground level. It is not necessary to fertilize the plant at this time. A small amount of plant food may be added after the first round of heavy blooms and again near the end of the season before the leaves drop. Do not overfeed the first year—after plants are established,

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# HENRY MERCER

## a biography

PART ONE

by

Chris Carr

A shivering ten year old, Henry Mercer sat stiffly beside the stern figure of his father as the covered market wagon made its way through the rolling countryside along York Road. The spirited horse, Larry, was setting his usual brisk pace as he moved toward a small clump of buildings on the banks of the Neshaminy near Hartsville.

The spotless white plastered house which was the Tennent School could be seen for quite a distance, as could the newly modernized Neshaminy Church across the way. Moving swiftly toward the house was the imposing figure of the schoolmaster, Mahlon Long, who was to direct the education of the elder Mercer son for the next four years.

The father, William Mercer, reined in his horse at the hitching post and introduced his apprehensive son to the capable Long. Wistfully, Henry glanced over his shoulder in the direction from which they had come. From where the boy stood, the protective hill to the north seemed as big as an ocean, cutting him off from his familiar Doylestown.

It didn't take the schoolmaster long however, to win the confidence and open admiration of his young student. Although his experiences at Tennent were a sharp contrast to his early schooling under Thomas Hughes in Doylestown, Mercer remembered them with gratitude and nostalgia.

"I look on those years with great admiration and no grievances, despite my homesickness," he said years later.

"Mahlon Long ran his school with one philosophy to guide him — that it was most important for every boy to learn to walk straight". He

stressed the importance of physical development. Outdoor gymnastics were part of the daily routine. The whole countryside was our playground. There were no bounds at Tennent."

During vacation time, young Mercer wandered through the Bucks County countryside looking for Indian arrowheads and artifacts, exploring the Durham caves, Nockamixon and the Ringing Rocks, and swimming in the Delaware. Frequent companions in these adventures were B. F. Fackenthal of Riegelsville and Henry D. Paxson of Buckingham.

In 1869 and 1870 Henry's education and wanderings were continued in Europe. At that time he accompanied his aunt, Mrs. Timothy Lawrence, to Paris for a tour of the Continent. Mrs. Lawrence was the former Elizabeth Chapman, his mother's sister.

Mrs. Lawrence was a good friend, an inspiration and a mentor to her nephew. She was one of the first to recognize in him a remarkable intellect and more than a touch of genius.

Following the Franco-Prussian War late in 1870, the travelers returned to Doylestown. Henry resumed his studies and Mrs. Lawrence began to build her home, the original "Aldie", on a site at the corner of Pine Run and Easton Roads, across from the home of her father.

In 1870 Henry was enrolled at Mohegan Lake School in Peekskill, New York. He recalled his experiences there with little pleasure however. The threat of imprisonment in the "cage" or "strong box" hung heavily over erring students. Following another trip to Europe when he was nineteen, he completed his studies

under private tutors and was accepted at Harvard in the fall of 1875.

The debonair Mercer became a legend among his college classmates. He was fascinated by discussion and disputation, "a gentleman of the old school, a well-to-do man of culture with the widest interests and great abilities."

Little escaped his keen intellect, except perhaps a course in algebra in which he developed "a brain block which nearly cost me my diploma." According to a classmate, Mercer was "handsome, winning, interesting — and odd."

The Mercer story is incomplete about his activities following graduation in 1879. It is known however, that he was present in Doylestown in January 1880 at a meeting marking the founding of the Bucks County Historical Society.

It was natural as a grandson of Judge Henry Chapman, that Mercer would consider a career in law. In 1880 he enrolled at the Law School of the University of Pennsylvania, but subsequently resigned. The following year he read law in the offices of Freedly and Hollingsworth in Philadelphia.

Whether or not Mercer found his law studies stimulating, he no doubt performed them with the discipline and perseverance which was expected of him. He was admitted to the Philadelphia Bar in 1881, but never applied to the Bucks County association.

The career of Henry Mercer, Attorney-at-Law, was brief. There is little evidence that he practiced law to any extent. More than likely he spent much of his time traveling, probably on the Continent and elsewhere. There can be little

doubt, however, that during these years, his interest in archeology, anthropology and the history of mankind was blossoming.

On April 15, 1884, a young man of 28 presented a paper before the Bucks County Historical Society. His subject was one that had captivated historians for decades, "The Doans Before the Revolution." At the same time, Mercer was undertaking an intensive investigation of another segment of local history.

In 1872 in a field on the farm of Barnard Hansell, four and a half miles east of Doylestown, a chance turn of the plowshare had uncovered an oddly marked fragment of stone, about four inches long, apparently of Indian origin. In 1881 another fragment of the same stone was unearthed. After four years of checking and cross-checking, questioning and verifying, Henry Mercer wrote a thesis defending the authenticity of the stone. The book was called "The Lenape Stone."\*

The Lenape Stone was a "gorget" or amulet found in the territory of the Lenape tribe. Its significance, archeologically, lay in the pictures scratched on the smooth surfaces of the stone. The most important of these was the crude figure of a hairy mammoth, a prehistoric member of the elephant family. Prior to this time, the mammoth had not been considered a contemporary of primitive man in North America.

Mercer, in an attitude that was typical of his scientific

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\*(See "The Lenape Stone", *Panorama Magazine*, October, 1961 — Ed.)

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## Poetry Corner

### SLEEPY HEADS

Gay tulips bow on long green stems

All through a sunny day.  
And very nicely nod their heads

To everyone. But they  
Will fold their satin petals at  
The end of afternoon.  
And then each sleeping tulip is  
A colored toy balloon.

And when the cloudy days are here

And skies are drab and grey,  
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They sleep the hours away.

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Quakertown Band, then known as the Germania Band, in 1907 sponsored a mummies parade that for many years thereafter became an annual Halloween parade. Interrupted by two World Wars, the event was resumed after the second, then abandoned about 1950. The photo of the old Band was taken when Quakertown streets were but mud and dust.

(Photo courtesy Franklin Moyer)

# QUAKERTOWN

A

## SHORT HISTORY

by C. Norman Derweiler

### Part III

Though the Quakers and the Penna-Dutch were known to be a thrifty people, it was not until 1865 that a move was made to organize a local banking institution. A group of men subscribed \$110,000, sent a committee to Washington to obtain a charter, but were refused on the grounds that Pennsylvania had a full quota of banking capital and under existing law the proposed "First National Bank of Quakertown" could not be chartered.

However, five years later, in the Spring of 1870, the Quakertown Savings Bank of Bucks County was organized, chartered by the State in October

of that year with a capital of \$50,000, and was headed by General Paul Applebach as president and Dr. Joseph Thomas, also a Civil War veteran, as cashier. The bank started its business at Broad and Main Streets in the former Griffith house, (later occupied by the trolley company as depot and freight station.) On Thanksgiving Day in 1872 the bank moved to a three-story building on West Broad Street near Third, the property having been purchased from "The Sons of Herman," a short-lived fraternal organization that had built it as a lodge hall. (The building is now the home of the

Quakertown Daily Free Press.)

After a short career of seven years, the bank suspended business, with all liabilities met and a goodly dividend paid to its stockholders. But banking business in Quakertown was not to die in this growing community, and with renewed interest a reorganization was effected under the guidance of Dr. Thomas, and a charter issued on July 21, 1877, to the Quakertown National Bank which took over the property and clientele of the former Savings Bank.

In 1902 the Bank purchased

the William B. Moyer homestead at Third and Broad Streets and the following year erected a three-story stone building which it occupies today.

With the steady growth of the town grew also the need for more financial institutions and in 1902 the Merchants National Bank was chartered, and two years after that the Quakertown Trust Company came into being. Within the past several years the Merchants Bank entered a merger with the Provident Tradesmen's Bank and Trust Company. Likewise the Quakertown Trust Company merged with the Bucks County Bank and Trust Company and now has two offices in this town. The Quakertown National Bank still operates as an individual institution.

Another financial institution doing business here for many years was the Quakertown Building and Loan Association which in recent years has changed its name to Quakertown Savings and Loan Association and is now located in its new building next to the post-office.

### Bands

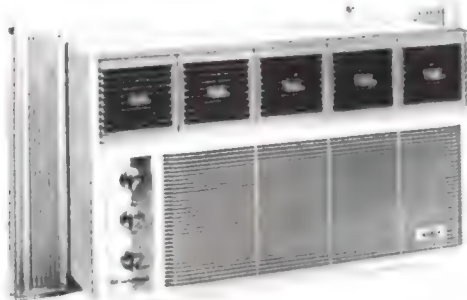
Almost from its very beginning Quakertown has been known as a musical center in the early 1800's several musical organizations were formed, played awhile, and then disbanded. Then on February 22, 1877, twenty-three men got together and formed "The Citizens Silver Cornet Band" of

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Citizens Band of Quakertown as it appeared soon after it was organized sixty years ago. (Photo courtesy Mrs. Elmer Shelly whose husband played with the band for fifty years.)

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Former Sons of Herman lodge building where Quakertown National Bank began business; now owned and occupied by the Quakertown Daily Free Press.

(Photo courtesy Quakertown National Bank)

### Quakertown

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Quakertown, so named because the instruments were made of German silver. The first leader was Peter Smith, who served until 1882 when Harry S. Schultz took over.

About this time the band decided to purchase new instruments of brass, hence the name "Silver Cornet Band" became obsolete and was changed to Germania Band, still loyal to the German influence in music. Then came World War I, and anything that hinted of Germany came in for severe criticism, so the name was changed to Quakertown Band. In continuous existence since its founding, the band celebrated its 86th anniversary in February with a public concert that attracted short of a thousand music lovers.

During its eighty-six years the Quakertown Band has had nine leaders, now called directors. Smith and Schultz were followed by Daniel Hoffman, Lewis E. Bleam, William C. Hillegass, Lewis Pfaff, Howard E. Shive, (all deceased), Russell Kunkle, and the present director Ralph R. Moyer.

One of the early instructors whose influence still bears its mark on the band was the Rev. J. F. Ohl, then pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church, who served as instructor for about eight years. A composer of hymns and sacred music, he lent dignity to the organization, set a high standard of music and instituted one of the Band's cardinal rules "that all members shall retain membership subject to good behavior," a principle still adhered to. It was

also under this tutelage that the Band became a concert band in addition to being a marching musical group. Today this organization is strictly a concert band, having given up participating in parades, and fills many engagements throughout Bucks and surrounding counties.

In the Summer of 1902 a group of men were seated one evening on a bench in front of the Charles T. Leitch drug store on the corner of Broad and Main Streets, engaged in social conversation, when the subject of music came up. Then and there a movement was started to form another Band. In the group were men who had some musical experience and instrumental training and after several weeks the Citizens Band was organized. Meetings and practice were held in a hall on the second floor of the Red Lion livery stables, and Harry Moyer was chosen to direct the Band.

Instruments were purchased from the defunct Sellersville Band for \$75. Philip Croll, one of the organizers, financed the bill and the members reimbursed him by paying five cents a week. This was rather slow motion in wiping out a debt so the boys held chicken suppers in the Red Lion hall and ultimately Croll was repaid in full.

After several years under the baton of Harry Moyer, the Band elected Peter Moyer as director. Pete, as he was popularly called, held sway until 1918 when, because of war work in which he was engaged, he had to resign and was succeeded by Worman Shelly who served until several years ago when he retired. Mr. Shelly was succeeded by Earl Gaugler, Jr.,

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John H. Craig lay in wait to commit murder.

Making up one's mind to kill a man was only a small part of murder, he reflected. Doing it was another matter.

Craig peered around the bush concealing him, eyeing the hilltop sweeping upwards before him. Not a sign of the victim-to-be as yet. The sun was dipping fast. But the moment was perfect. He would be coming along soon now, leading his horse to the stable.

Craig licked his lips. He'd planned two murders in less than two weeks. Yet no one was dead yet. It wasn't easy. There was complete failure in the matter of killing Isaac Cochran . . . so far. Each time he had seen Cochran and raised his gun to shoot, someone near to the intended victim would step beside him or in front of him, blocking the line of fire. It was fantastic interference. Craig took it to be an omen that he should mark the other man for death first . . . Edward Hunter.

Well, Cochran and Hunter . . . or Hunter and Cochran. Either way didn't matter, as long as both were dead. The point being, both were witnesses to the will that was plainly unjust to Craig. Why should such a will be valid?

Craig had fumed over the will long enough. A clear solution to the problem presented itself to him. If witnesses to a will were dead, the will would surely become inoperative. Thus the two men became marked for death.

Craig heard a horse neigh. He scanned the hilltop, piercing the orange sky where the sun had just disappeared. Newtown was a mighty pretty town at sunset. It would be even prettier for John H. Craig with Squire Hunter dead and gone. A man's figure appeared on the curve of the hilltop, leading his horse. Craig cocked his gun, aimed carefully and fired. Hunter wheeled and fell, pitching down hill. The horse reared and bolted.

A panic seized Craig. The sight of the rolling body and the weird crying of the horse sent an unexpected chill through his body. In a moment the sky turned to grey. There was no sound but the beat of horse hooves clomping the dry hillside.

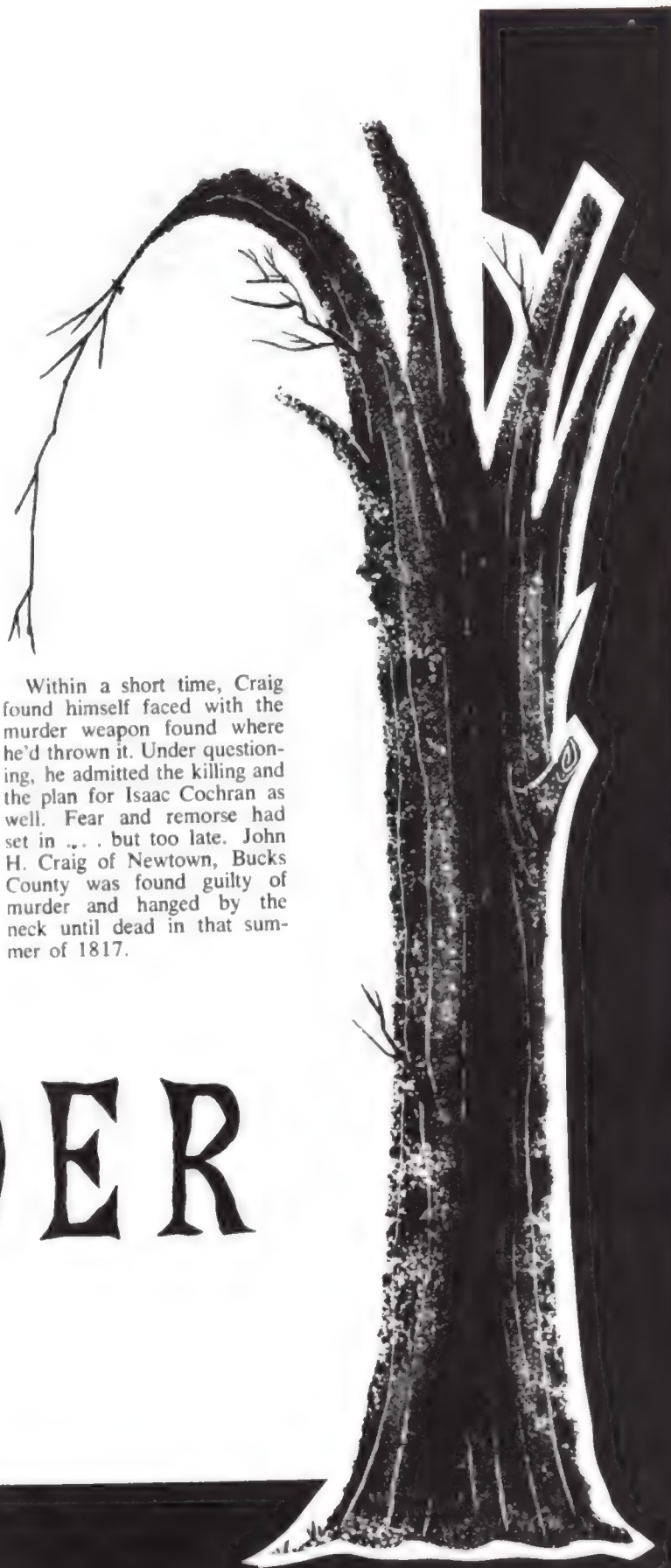
Craig crouched, then tossed his gun into the bushes and ran. He ran till his chest hurt from the lack of breath. Suddenly, it no longer seemed important to kill Cochran. Just running and hiding mattered. Suddenly . . . not even the will seemed too important.

Within a short time, Craig found himself faced with the murder weapon found where he'd thrown it. Under questioning, he admitted the killing and the plan for Isaac Cochran as well. Fear and remorse had set in . . . but too late. John H. Craig of Newtown, Bucks County was found guilty of murder and hanged by the neck until dead in that summer of 1817.

# MURDER

by

Helen Rowe



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and Gaugler by Richard Nase, the present director. Today the Citizens Band, other than the High School Band, is the only marching organization in Quakertown.

### Baseball

Baseball has had a "come and go" career in Quakertown. According to an old minute book a group of "Young Gentlemen" met in Heacock Normal School on September 12, 1866, when it was recorded: "We, the undersigned, being desirous of forming a Baseball Club, agree to be governed by the following rules and regulations:

"This Association shall be called the Base Ball Club of Quakertown.

"The initiation fee shall be fifty cents and dues shall be collected semi-monthly."

Officers of the club were: President, Lewis J. Levick; secretary, J. Hevi Heacock; treasurer, Samuel J. Levick, Jr. Members listed were: J. Levi Heacock, William M. Schaffer, Benj. F. Penrose, B. A. Fackenthall, Ed. L. Bullock, Lewis J. Levick, A. M. Harmer, E. R. Penrose, Johnson Strawn, Wm. E. Levick, Chas. F. Kinsey, Samuel J. Levick, Jr., Chas. M. Levick, John C. Lester, Jr., Charles Lancaster, T. J. Blakey and T. P. Groves.

The first practice was called for the 13th of September in B. G. Foulke's field. On September 29, 1866, the name "Tohickon Ball Club" was adopted and the constitution accordingly amended. On the date it was recorded: "a challenge from the Juniata Baseball Club was read and accepted. Charles Levick was appointed field captain and ordered to

choose his first nine to play on the 13th of next month, October."

Whatever happened thereafter is not known for the above item was the last entry in the minute book, and Heacock took the book over for use as his personal diary. Thus ended the records of Quakertown's first fling at baseball which then was in its youth as the "national pastime," having been organized in 1846 when the first formal game between two recognized teams was played in Hoboken, N. J., the New-York Nine licking the Knickerbocker B Club 23 to 1 in four innings, which was the ruling at that time.

Years later baseball was revived in town and before World War I the local team played some mightily good ball, the scene of action being the then popular LuLu Park, now an exclusive residential section of Quakertown. Interest in the game again lagged and for a time it passed from the picture, only to be received again some years after the war when the Quakertown Ball Club was organized.

A modern ball park was established on a tract now included in this town's Memorial Park. Though the adult team has since ceased to exist, the park is constantly in use throughout the Summer by high school, American Legion and other local teenage teams.

The greatest interest in the sport now centers around junior baseball and midget teams, and Memorial Park has the finest fields for the little leaguers, comparable to any in this area. With this intense interest in baseball, and the adult support given the various clubs, there is little room for juvenile delinquency in Quakertown.



Pictured here are "The Roof-Toppers", a band managed by local businessman Richard Sine. The group recently completed engagements at The Peppermint Lounge in NYC and Tony Mart's in Sommers Point, N. J. The group will be appearing locally before leaving for a cross country tour which takes them to Las Vegas.





# When The Shad Ran

by Ginny Steele

Along the river's edge there is serenity as the first probing fingers of the sun touch across the expanse of water. Shortly though, this calmness is broken by a struggle of warriors, involved in one of the most fascinating of battles. The fight to take a shad is on. It won't be easy, this exhilarating tug-of-war between the fisherman and his prized aim. Never an easy fish to catch, in springtime when shad are on their way upstream to spawn, they are full of vim and fight. But as the avid angler will tell you, when finally the defeated shad is panting in a creel, the fisherman knows his greatest pleasure (next to eating the tasty fish). For this is the reward for a battle well fought, and the angler has won his tasty prize.

There was a day—long gone and lamented—when shad was taken in nets operated by various fisheries along the Delaware each shad season. The New Hope and Lambertville area fisheries had boat crews dragging long nets in the shad abounding waters and the succulent fish was then sold commercially.

Various factors account for the decline in shad along the waterways. Unchecked enjoyment of the shad roe had its own destructive results. Before the turn of the century the eel weir was employed and so terminated the upstream spawning intention of the shad. Being a construction of a fence set across the river bed, the

teeming numbers fast dwindled. Later, silt from coal mines further decimated the delicious fish.

However, with the successful stream clearing programs, there is the belief that shad in number will appear again. But with this belief, also one that commercial shad fishing is gone from the area. But for the non-commercial minded angler, there is shad in sufficient quantity to warrant a challenging day on the Delaware.

Shad can be caught on a fly rig, or spinning gear. They seem to hit flies better than anything else. There is a willingness to strike and fight in this fish. Being a near relative of the great silver tarpon might in part account for this desire to do battle. A shad never hits a fly; he seems to smash it, and then the battle rages. Giving short, powerful runs, the shiny, slabsided fish will carry on with unbelievable vigor until, finally exhausted, it will "belly-over" and the game is won for the happy angler.

By using the very smallest spinners and wobblers where the current is heavy enough to keep them from dropping down, your success with shad will become noticeably improved. They seem to prefer the smallest spinners. One fisherman threads a few shiny shad scales on his hook and claims great success with this method.

Whatever method used in taking shad, it cannot be denied they are a source of

great eating pleasure. Their one drawback lies in the fact that their bones are multitudinous. Much of this, however, can be overcome by filleting the shad.

There is the story of Daniel Webster and planked shad. Daniel prided himself on his preparation of this specialty and his only rival was an aged slave; a river character called Sam. Each had his admirers. Some declared that Sam was the one who knew best how to prepare planked shad, while others insisted the great statesman was supreme. A contest was arranged between the two. First Sam split the shad, seasoned them as he knew would most nearly suit Mr. Webster's taste, and laid them before the orator, done to a turn. "Really Sam, this is the best shad I have ever eaten," was Webster's enthusiastic comment. Next, Webster laid aside his toga and hovered around the fire, knife and salt box in hand, watching the shad he had prepared in the way he knew would best suit Sam's taste. Sam ate three mouthfuls and rapturously exclaimed, "Fore God, Mr. Webster, I never have tasted planked shad before!" Daniel Webster yielded gracefully the palm to Sam, outdone by him in compliments as well as in cooking.

So, with the shad running and the streams waiting, grab your rod and go forth to do battle—with one of the greatest warriors of them all—the delicious shad. Happy fishing!

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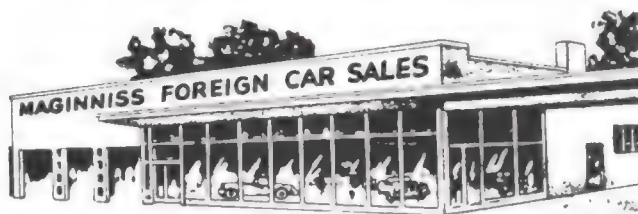
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This photo shows two of the motormen on the Doylestown-Newtown-Bristol trolley before a trip. At left is George Leffarts, the motorman, and at right is Wm. Eisenhard, conductor. Photo was taken in June, 1909. (Photo courtesy Wm. Eisenhard)

## LIFE ALONG THE DELAWARE CANAL

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Company, which in turn, sold it to the Delaware Division Canal Company. Business continued to decline and the last boat, #181, passed north on the canal on the morning of October 17, 1931.

Durham boats were first used for small shipments but it was the wooden canal boat which filled all requirements for heavy cargoes and was never supplanted by any other type of carrier. The standard size was 87 feet 6 inches long, 10 feet 6 inches wide and 7 feet high at midship, with a shear of only 6 inches, bow and stern. It was designed to carry 100 tons of coal, lumber or iron. A load of 112 tons of coal established a record in 1872 when #6 boat built in the yard of R. Francis Rapp at Erwinna passed down the canal from Mauch Chunk to New York.

These canal boats were made in two sections and were called hinge boats. Because of this type of construction they could be uncoupled for ease in loading or unloading. The smaller single section boats were called stiff boats.

The hinge boats were drawn by two mules as a rule, although in some cases there were three. Horses almost never were used. The harness was the usual sort but without breech-

ing, and the mules were geared to stretchers which protected them from trace chafing. The bridles of the little animals were gaily decorated with rosettes and colorful plumes while across their backs was a saddle of small bells.

The crew consisted of two men, a man and two boys, or a man and wife. They took turns driving the mules and steering the boat. Since the boats did not stop between locks, meals were cooked and eaten aboard boat. From 1832 to 1855 boats ran day and night. It wasn't until after 1855 that the locks closed between 10 p.m. and 4 a.m.

At night a lantern a foot square, nicknamed a "night hawk", was hung in the bow of the boat. Because of its brilliantly polished reflector, these lights could be seen clearly, even at a distance.

When a boat was approaching a lock the boatman signalled the locktender by blowing a long tin horn, a bugle or a conch shell. These sharp blasts were familiar sounds in the Delaware hills in the boating days. Frequently fights would break out over which boat had the right of way when two of them reached the lock at the same time. But when evening came these clashes were forgotten and the boatmen gathered in the many inns along the bank and joined in the gaily of fiddling

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## Delaware Canal

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and dancing accompanied by a social glass or two. Most boatmen were men of good character who had comfortable homes in the hills back from the river where they spent the winter working at some other useful occupation.

Locktender houses were built close to the locks on small tracts of land belonging to the canal. The locktender was often assisted by his wife who was as skilled as he in handling the gates. If a man was trustworthy, then the job of locktender was his for life.

Flora K. Henry of Point Pleasant recalls with pleasure helping her father tend the lock at Smithtown. When a boat was about 500 yards away, the boatman would blow a crouch horn so the tender would get his lock ready. If the tender had any trouble with the lock gates, he would blow a whistle of warning. This was a moment to dread, for the Captain was apt to be angry if he had to wait for his boat to be locked through.

Flora says she often unhitched the mules at the lock and drew up the towline which she would throw on ahead when the boat entered the lock. Some weekends one or two boats would put up at Smithtown and Flora took care of the mules, stabling them in the barn which later became the Cat and Fiddle and is now a private home. There used to be a building near the Smithtown coal yard called a haypress which sold hay in bales to the boatmen for their mules.

Several summers the Henry family camped along the towpath where the mules walked. Another family pleasure was sitting on the canal banks on Sunday afternoons, after Mrs. Henry had taken the mules to the fields to graze.

Summer folks who came to Smithtown always took a trip to New Hope and back. The cost of such a barge party in the early twenties was about \$25.

Every other year a dredger operated by 4 men went through from Bristol to the Lehigh. It took three months to reach the Lehigh but only 10 days to return. There was also a barge with carpenters that came to make repairs around the locks.

When it rained, Flora had the important task of tending the waste gate. It was necessary to watch day and night so

the rising water would not overflow and wash-out the banks of the canal.

Mr. Henry died in August, 1931 and Flora and her mother continued tending the lock until the following November when the canal was closed. In recent years a short section has been opened and barge parties glide slowly up and down the canal to New Hope.

Folks tell of a man who called his boat "To & Fro". He was very proud of his cleverness in thinking up such a unique name. One night when his boat was moored to the bank, a practical joker added a few extra letters. The following morning the owner continued happily on his way before the laughter of people he passed caused him to investigate. To his intense dismay and anger he found he was piloting a craft whose name had been changed to "Toads and Frogs".

Hero worship, pride in their craft and humor were the three characteristics apparent in the names boatmen gave to their boats. These ranged all the way from national heroes to plebian titles such as Rat, Flea or Fly. Many others glided down Pennsylvania canals under such intriguing names as "The Wooden Child," "May Flour," "Ladies' Friend," "Local Option," "Sabbath Rest," "Here I Am," and "Ubydam."

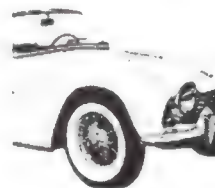
Canals have always been favorite spots for swimming. Small boys often used to swim under empty canal boats as they moved slowly upstream. "Stemming" was a daring feat indulged in by the more enterprising, when allowed by a canal boat captain. This was enjoyed by lying on the back with feet against the prow of a moving boat, which thus propelled one headfirst through the water in a seemingly rapid, effortless glide. Also, if permitted, other boys like to trail through the water hanging on to the blade of the rudder.

Although the hours were long and the work hard, there was a fascination about the life along the canal, a joyous sort of vagabond freedom when there was time to observe the purple beauty of spring violets and the delicacy of lacy ferns growing along the old towpath or to be startled by the sudden splash of a fat, knobby backed bullfrog nose diving into a thicket of green rushes.

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## War of 1812 Data Sought

A hunt for unpublished logbooks, letters, diaries and other papers dealing with the Erie command during the War of 1812 was launched today by The Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission.

Among "missing" documents are the logbooks of Perry's squadron which defeated the British fleet in the famed Battle of Lake Erie on September 10, 1813, many muster rolls of the crews and troops stationed at Erie before and after the American ships were built there, and an unknown quantity of written orders directed to the various commanders.

Dr. S. K. Stevens, Commission Director, said many historians regard Perry's victory of September 10 as the turning point of the war for American forces. Perry's spirited message, "We have met the enemy and they are ours," lifted sagging morale and became, itself, as immortal as the battle record.

It is believed chances for survival of the logbooks are reasonable. There are indications some were "procured" as souvenirs by officers and crew members of the ships, and thus, one or more may now be in the care of some descendant, private manuscript collector, or historical society.

The American ships were the brigs Niagara, Lawrence and Caledonia, the schooners Ariel, Scorpion, Porcupine and Tigress, and the sloop Trippe. Another American ship away on a supply run during the September 10 battle was the Ohio, mastered by the man credited as father of the fleet, Captain Dobbins, of Erie.

The Commission, Doctor Stevens emphasized, is primarily interested in locating the logbooks and related records, and in making copies of the manuscripts for the study of historians.

Letters and diaries written by crew members and shore troops have great value to the overall study, Doctor Stevens said. He also pointed out that the Erie story is much more extensive than the three hours the two fleets battled.

Anyone having knowledge of such records is urged to write the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, State Museum Building, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

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The wife who has good horse sense never becomes a nag.

## Rose Care

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## THE FAMILY ALBUM



The Family Album spotlights the class of 1900, Sunnyside School. The folks we have been able to identify are Mae Buckman, teacher; Joe Ruos, Carrie Huas Stillwagon, Lillie Logue, Mrs. E. M. Funk, Rosie Frye. Perhaps some readers will know more. (Photo courtesy Mrs. E.M. Funk)

## Quiz for All Outboard Boating Buffs

Most boatmen make it a point to start the season with their equipment in topnotch condition. Too few of them, however, take

the time to brush up on their boating savvy, which is just as important according to the Evinrude Boating News Service.

through it has a: (a) planing hull; (b) displacement hull.

To test your knowledge, here's a short quiz that covers several aspects of recreational boating. Give it a try.

1. A steady but slowly rising barometer usually indicates: (a) settled weather; (b) unsettled weather; (c) thundershowers.

5. When making a landing or picking up a mooring, use the wind or current to advantage by approaching: (a) into it; (b) with it.

6. The determining factor in selecting a propeller should be: (a) speed; (b) power; (c) the rpm of the engine.

2. If your outboard motor idles roughly, first check: (a) propeller; (b) spark plugs; (c) shock absorbers.

7. Standard red and green running lights are designed with the red light on the: (a) port side; (b) starboard side.

3. To anchor properly in moderate weather, the ratio of length of line to depth of water should be: (a) 1:1; (b) 3:1; (c) 6:1.

Correct answers are: 1. (a); 2. (b); 3. (c); 4. (a); 5. (a); 6. (c); 7. (a).

4. A boat designed to run on top of the water rather than

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While the white dress shirt remains standard equipment for night, daytime will find more and more men in bright-striped, bold checked shirts.

It all began a few seasons ago when a few very understated stripes appeared on the scene. But this summer stripes are the boldest and checks join in the big move to pattern. In some cases stripes and checks merge into a striking design.

The stripes range from the very narrow to one-quarter inch wide and run vertically as well as horizontally. Often a contrasting white collar and French cuffs set off bold, blue stripes in the body and sleeves.

The checks, likewise run from the fine, tiny tattersalls to the brazen fishnet checks. Some are found in two colors with the vertical striping in one color and the cross-hatching in another.

These newest patterns are found in all the traditional cotton shirting favorites: in oxfords, in broadcloths and in fine batistes, as well as all-cotton fabrics treated for wash and wear.

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## RAMBLING WITH RUSS

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county prison by Justice of the Peace Charles R. Nightingale. . . One fire alarm was sounded during the month of May 50 years ago according to Fire Chief Dan Fretz (at the same meeting Miss Lillie M. Martin and Miss Margaret Martin were elected contributing members of the Doylestown Fire Company.

The Heebner-Felver Motor Company in Lansdale offered new Fords for \$621 (touring car) and \$546 (runabout) . . . There were 17 members in the Doylestown High graduating class 50 years ago including Claude Case, president; Mary Kirk, vice president; Margaret Miller, treasurer; Alice Kelly, secretary; Flora Rosenberger, Helen Fretz, Carrie Sigafos, Grace Hendricks, Mary Roberts, Jessie Krusen, Florence Buckner, Mabel Sholler, Grace Dungan, Ann Ellis, George Smith, Ernest Rapp and Edgmont Baylis.

Governor Tener signed the Thompson Bill in Harrisburg, prohibiting the sale of cigarettes and cigarette papers to persons less than 21 years of age . . . The salary of Superintendent of Doylestown schools, Dr. Carmon Ross, was increased by the school board from \$1,400 to \$1,600 for a 9½-month session . . . Other teachers at Doylestown were paid from \$55 to \$70 per month.

Doylestown's Main Street between Shewell ave. and State st. was bricked at a cost of \$1,000 . . . Bucks county's peach and cherry crop ruined by frost . . . Dr. Earl Barnes, of Philadelphia, told the Bucks County School Directors convention in D-Town "there are far too many women school teachers" . . . A big crowd turned out Memorial Day 50 years ago and heard Rev. Howard R. McDade, of Marcus Hook, a former Doylestownian, deliver an address in the Court House.

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AND DON'T forget May dates 1963 and the 25th season of the air-conditioned Bucks County Playhouse at New Hope, America's best summer theatre under the direction of our contributing editor MIKE ELLIS. Highlights of the early season include the following plays: Saturday evening, April 27 to May 11, "Nobody Loves Me", a new comedy by Neil Simon directed by Mike Nicholas; May 13 to May 25, Jan Murray and Mindy Carson in "Critic's Choice", a recent Broadway comedy bill; May 27 to June 8, Howard Keel in "The Crossing", a new play by Howard Fast; June 10 to 22, Merv Griffin in "The Moon Is Blue" . . . and many good plays to follow.

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HAVE YOU visited the new Welcome House Thrift Shop in the Hayman-Radcliff Building, ground floor, West Court Street? . . . If not, make it a must-stop on your next shopping tour in mid-town Doylestown. . . The May primary election in Bucks County should be something to long remember, for all Republicans and Democrats. . . Glad to hear that "Judge" Clayt Lewis is again a candidate for another term of justice of the peace in D-Town. . . Do you know that it was 86 years ago that Head Keeper Ott of the Bucks County Prison and the sheriff had to summon the state militia to prevent a threatened prison break?

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POSTSCRIPT: A customer at a nearby lunch counter (not in Doylestown) was struggling valiantly with his not-so-choice cube steak. Finally, "Walt" put down his knife and said to the proprietor: "It's a shame to fry a tire that still has so much tread on it!"

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THIRTY: And don't forget to VOTE at the May 21 Primary, and may the best candidates win.

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## Dining Out In Bucks

This is our second column in this series on fine dining spots in Bucks County. As we stated in our column last month, this column is designed to let folks know about some of the best spots to eat in Bucks County. This column is not a paid advertisement, and a restaurant can not buy their way into it. When we visit a restaurant, we do not identify ourselves and state why we are there. This insures that we get average service and average meals of the particular restaurant, the same as anyone who might go there for dinner.

A restaurant that we try and find unsatisfactory in any way will not be written up, as we feel when there is nothing good to say, don't say anything.

Now, on with our tour.

We visited Keating's Eagle Inn this month and dined like a king. The Eagle Inn is located on Route 309 in Line Lexington on the site of a very old historic Inn. The history of the Inn and the area is printed on the menu, and was written by Panorama Historical Editor Roy C. Kulp.

The menu is varied and we selected a delicious filet of beef. May we suggest that you bring your appetite with you, because you will get more than enough to eat. (We couldn't finish ours, we were so full!)

The meal started off with their famous old fashioned this large crock. It is delicious, but don't eat too much, as the main course is as equally bean soup, served in a big pot on the table. You serve yourself as much as you want from generous. Our filet was smothered in mushrooms and was mouth watering and prepared exactly as we had ordered. The service was tops and friendly. The atmosphere, quiet and pleasant. The food, excellent.

Only recently opened, The Eagle Inn offers you a "new place" to eat. The prices are moderate. Restaurants already discussed: *Water Wheel Inn*, Doylestown (April, 1963)

Liberty like charity must begin at home. — James B. Conant

### BRUGGER'S BUCKS

Many folks have asked where Bob Brugger's column has been the past few issues. Bob has been on vacation, and his column will return in Panorama next month.—Ed

### Letters

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for my uncle to come in the business with them but he declined in order to form the Doylestown - Easton trolley line. Howard L. and myself and Roy S. are the only living male descendants of this branch of the Kratz family. Congratulations to you for a fine magazine.

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## Mercer

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work, first emphasized the limitations on his investigations and the frequency of fraudulent claims of Indian relics. Then, clearly and logically, he set about to prove the veracity of his claim and the circumstances surrounding it.

In 1891 a loss was shared by Henry Mercer and all of Doylestown. Judge Henry Chapman died after a prolonged illness. To Mercer, his grandfather had been both a close friend and a good teacher. He had served his country as a Congressman and President-Judge of the Bucks-Montgomery Judicial District.

Following his grandfather's death, Henry again turned his energies toward scientific work. In 1891 he was elected to the Council of the University of Pennsylvania Archeological Association. At the same time he continued in earnest his systematic and painstaking archeological investigation of primitive man on the Eastern seaboard, and primarily in the Delaware Valley.

He traveled extensively throughout the Delmarva area. He trekked deep into the Susquehanna and Lehigh Valleys.

He worked in neighboring New Jersey searching for artifacts of primitive Indian cultures. Mercer also took time out for travel through England, Spain, France and Germany in 1892 and 1893. He was made an honorary member of the U. S. Archeological Commission in Madrid in 1892.

Henry Mercer was a scholar. He was considered so by his contemporaries and by those who have followed. He was also a scientist, one with the rare quality of continually remaining receptive to facts which might disprove his claims.

Mercer was a youth during the period when the modern concept of prehistoric life was being developed in Europe. This movement was exemplified by the discovery of the famed mammoth carvings in the cave of La Madeleine, Perigord, France. Mercer applied these European concepts and began a search for relics and tools of early man in America.

He began his investigation in the area he knew best, the Delaware Valley. His early efforts were centered on the Abbott farm near Trenton, but soon he had turned to the lower strata of inhabitable caves. He became one of America's pioneers in cave exploration. His theory was that early man sought shelter in caves near water, and that there he would have left traces of his activity.

Although Mercer was strictly speaking a "dirt archeolo-

gist" for only six years, he became one of the foremost pioneers of archeological research in Pennsylvania and the East. In 1893 he was elected to the Academy of Natural Sciences in Philadelphia and became Anthropological Editor of the *American Naturalist*. The following year he was appointed Curator of American and Prehistoric Archeology at the University of Pennsylvania.

Henry Mercer's major project at Penn was the organization in 1895 of an expedition to Yucatan, financed by C. W. Corwith of Chicago. Mercer headed the expedition himself. During this period he explored caves and Indian mounds in the United States and Mexico. He was able to fix the geological date on caves and ruins in Yucatan and study the crafts and customs of the area.

Still Mercer did not consider the expedition a success for he was unable to find traces of primitive man as well. The results of the expedition were published in 1896 in "Hill Caves of Yucatan."

During this same period, he continued investigations in the Eastern states, centering on the "bone hole" at Port Kennedy near Valley Forge, Nockamixon and the hill caves of Tennessee. Among his most noted accomplishments were the discovery and identification of the remains of several extinct animals including the prehistoric tapir, mylodon, peccary and sloth.

Summing up his many years of research on the subject, Mercer published "Researches on the Antiquity of Man in the Delaware Valley and Eastern United States" in 1897. Later that year he wrote "Tools of the Nationmaker," an introduction to his then primary interest in man's work with his hands.

The year 1897 was a beginning and an end for Mercer. He resigned as Curator at the University of Pennsylvania and as editor of *American Naturalist*. At the age of 41, he retired to devote his full time to the fulfillment of a dream, a dream of what Mercer himself called "a new presentation of the history of our country from the point of view of the work of the human hands."

(Ed. Note: This is part I of a series of articles on Henry Mercer. Part II will appear in the next issue of *Panorama*.)

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As we write this, carpenters are hammering, plumbers are plumbing, painters are painting, and work is nearing completion on the Panorama Building at 354 N. Main Street, Doylestown. We are rather pleased with our "new home." There has been some confusion the past few weeks about where our office was located, but now we are settled. Stop by and see us.

Congressman WILLARD S. CURTIN recently sent out his annual questionnaire to voters, so that we all may express our views on what we want him to vote on this session of congress. If you, as a voter of either Bucks or Lehigh Counties, did not get a questionnaire, write Willard at Morrisville, Pa., and he'll send you one. If you received one, fill it out and return it.

MIKE ELLIS opened The Bucks County Playhouse recently with many exciting plays scheduled for the summer season. Season tickets are available at the box office in New Hope.

State Street in Doylestown is in the process of being widened and repaved. We'll be glad when it's finished, as it sure is a mess now!

Belated wedding anniversary congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. ANTHONY OTT, Sr. who celebrated number twenty-five last month.

Don't know if there is any significance to it, but local politician ALAN WILLIAMS sponsored a theatre benefit party for a play entitled "Nobody Loves Me." Williams isn't running for office this year, but the fund raising goes on.

The County Seat Inn re-opened recently after a few months being closed due to the fire that swept the place. JOHN KRASNA did some extensive remodeling, and is now featuring a "Clam Bar", with clams on the half shell and steamed clams, in addition to his already well known roast beef sandwiches. Best of luck, John.

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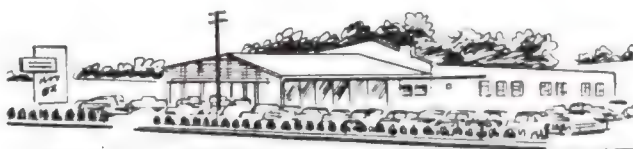
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The Langhorne - Middleton Library will sponsor their Seventh Annual BOOK FAIR at the library, corner of Hill and West Maple Avenue in Langhorne on Saturday, May 25. There will be both new and old books, plants, flowers, shrubs, toys, white elephants etc. Authors will be present to discuss their new books, a picnic lunch will be served, and a good time for all. Funds will be used for the library.

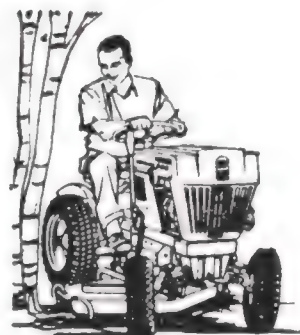
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SOMETHING New! There are some new "Bucks County Notes" available in book stores, card shops, and specialty shops throughout the area. They feature pen and ink drawings of Bucks County scenes — covered bridges, mills, barns, and other historical scenes. There are eight to a package, for \$1.00. They are published by "A-K Arts" of Doylestown, a subsidiary of Panorama Publications. Ask for them when you shop, or they may be had by mail at \$1.00 (Pa. residents add 4c sales tax.) by writing to Panorama.

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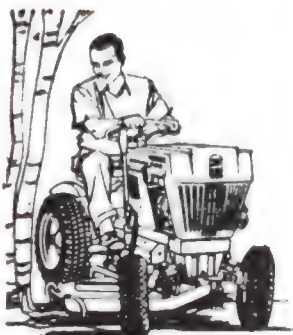
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The Central Bucks Chamber of Commerce held their elections recently and re-elected BILL KLINE as president. Other officers elected were; RICHARD BECHTEL and GEORGE HORNBERGER, vice presidents; RONNIE GOUREN, treasurer; and JOHN DE-SOUSA, secretary. Thirteen members were elected to the Board of Directors.

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The Doylestown Country Club will sponsor a "MOTHER'S DAY DINNER" on May 12 at the DCC with JACK and BETTY JESTER as host and hostess. The monthly dance will be held May 29 at DCC with FRANK and JANE HARTZEL as host and hostess.

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Dr. WILLIAM J. MEYER, Director of the Bucks County Department of Health recently stated "Polio is a disease of the non-immunized." This was a way of pointing out the Polio Clinics being held this month here in Bucks County. The clinics will be held on the following Saturdays, from 1 to 4 P.M.: **May 4**, at The Warren Snyder School in Bristol, Palasades High School in Kintnersville, and at New Hope-Solebury HS in New Hope. **May 11** at The Neshaminy Valley Youth Center in Newtown and at The V.F.W. Hall in Morrisville. **May 18** at The Jefferson School in Levittown and at Poquessing Jr. High School in Feasterville. Shots of the Salk Vaccine are available at \$1.00-per shot, and if you can't pay the dollar they are free! Check with your doctor if you wish, but be sure, for good health's sake, to get your Polio shots this month.

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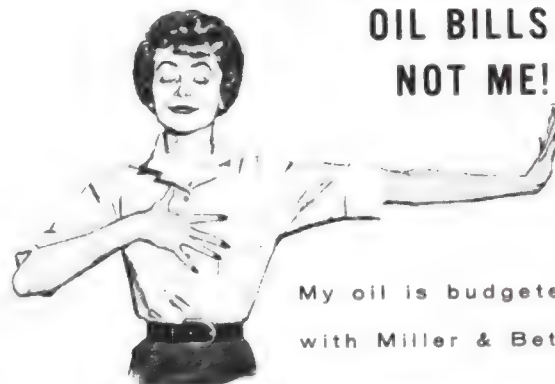
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We had a note from FRED W. DEVOE, formally of Bucks County, and now of Santa Clara, California. Fred has had a book of poems published recently, and sent us a copy. The book is entitled "The Nature of Things", published by Vantage Press.

NICK SHARPS of Doylestown left recently to join the Air Force. Nick is undergoing his basic training at Lackland AFB in Texas. Good Luck!

A note from DON RUTT tells us that The Town and Country Players of Buckingham have scheduled Noel Coward's delightful play, "Private Lives" as their first entry of the season. The show will run May 3, 4, 10, 11, and will be directed by BOB GENDALL. In June the players will present Shaw's "Major Barbara", directed by CHUCK READ. "Major Barbara" will run June 21, 22, 28, 29. All shows are presented at the players barn on Route 263 in Buckingham.

Congratulations to former Doylestownian BURR SIENKIEWICZ, now living in North Carolina. Burr and his lovely wife are the proud parents of a baby girl. In his spare time, Burr is coaching a YMCA baseball team.

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JOHN W. DEAN III, well known Bucks County Attorney was recently elected to the post of Chairman of the Bucks County Young Republicans. Other officers installed were: DELORES METZGER, Warminster, vice chairman; BARBARA DAVIS, Bristol Township, recording secretary; WILLIAM YOAST, Bensalem Township corresponding secretary; and WILLIAM HENDERSON of Warminster as treasurer. (Photo by Bristol Photographers)

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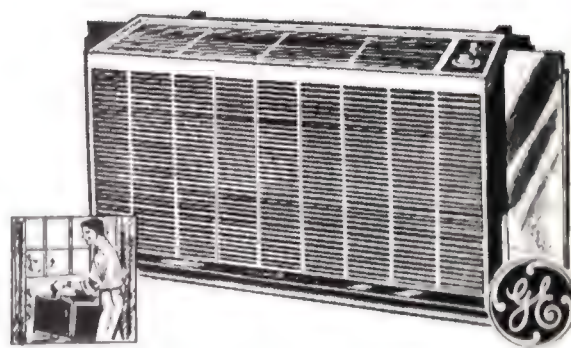
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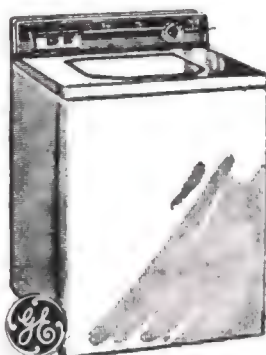
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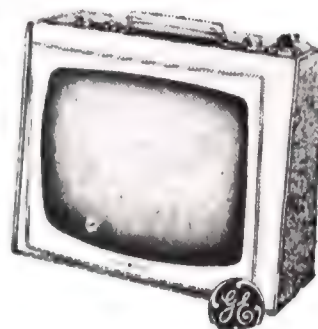
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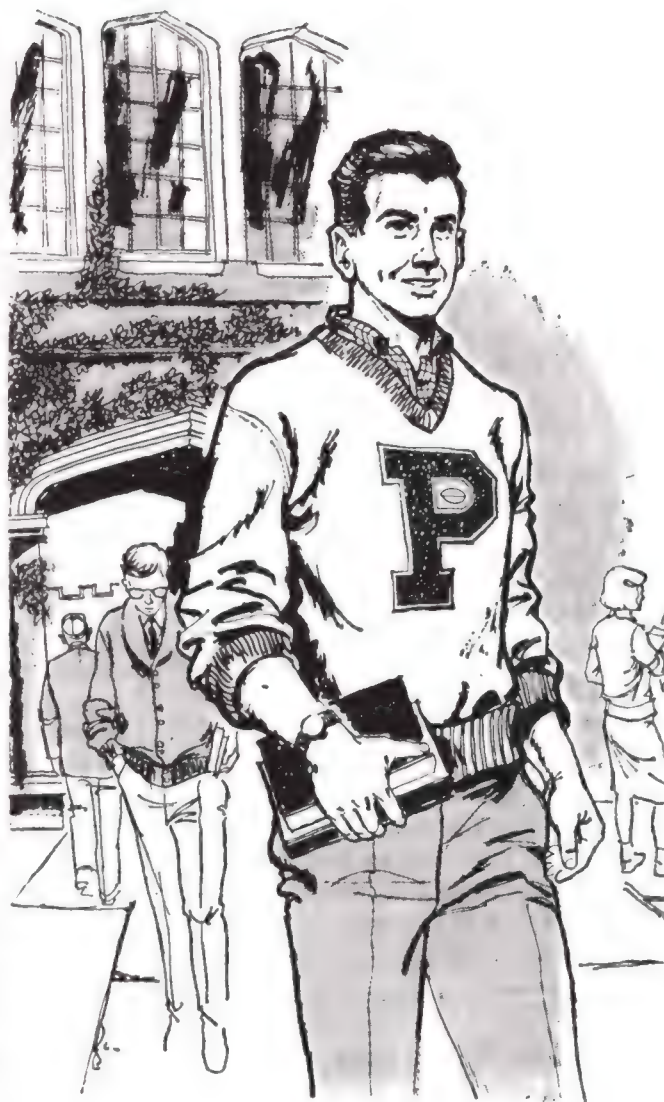


Fresh from a 22-orbit trip around the earth, Astronaut Gordon Cooper lands on Panorama's cover this month. Trained at the U.S. Navy's NADC in Johnsville, Bucks County, Cooper, along with other US Spacemen spent quite a bit of time in the County. Bucks Countians can say, "we knew him when . . ." See story in this issue.

(Official US Navy Photo)

JUST A THOUGHT, but why does the state award contracts to road builders who do not have firm contracts with unions. The hold-up of the rebuilding of Route 611 and Route 263 are two prime examples. We feel contractors should be required to show union contracts covering the time of scheduled construction before they are awarded the contract. Much unnecessary delay could be then avoided, and the heavily taxed motorist would not be put to additional suffering. Lord knows, the roads are bad enough without major delays when they finally do heed our pleas and do some construction. Oh well, comes the revolution . . .

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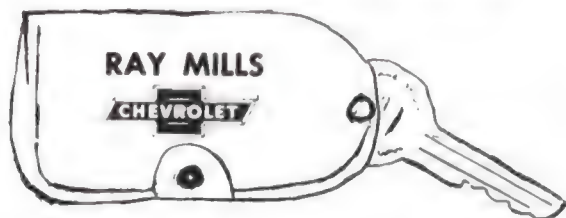


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## Rambling with Russ

by

A. Russell Thomas

**THE POLITICAL FRONT:** The Primary take-off in Bucks county was successfully executed. The political astronauts expect to remain in orbit until November 5th, at which time the landing will take place with either Republicans or Democrats in power. The general election in Bucks this year should make history.

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**ODD AND ENDS:** "Up, Up, Up" is the theme song of the tax-fixers these days, with a two-mill hike by the School Board in Central Bucks and similar, or even greater increases, in other places. . . . Sorry to have missed my 52d annual class reunion dinner at the Gwynedd Inn on May 18 (class of 1911, Lansdale High). . . . Mr. and Mrs. St. John Terrell delightfully entertained at a buffet dinner at their home, "Northridge," near Stockton, N. J. on Saturday evening, June 1, on the occasion of the opening night of the 1963 season at the Lambertville Music Circus. . . . If you are looking for an excellent place to eat try Valley View Restaurant and Delicatessen, owned and operated by Mr. and Mrs. Otto Buehrer on Route 611 north of Danboro.

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**ENTERING PRIESTHOOD:** Sincere congratulations from PANORAMA and its many readers to Robert and Joseph Brugger of the Pipersville Inn, who have announced the ordination to the Priesthood of their brother, the Reverend Joachim Brugger, Franciscan Friar of the Atonement, who will be conferred by His Excellency, the Most Reverend Philip M. Hannan, D.D., Auxiliary Bishop of Washington, on Saturday, June 8, at 8 a.m. at The National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D. C. . . . Rev. Brugger's first Solemn Mass will be offered the following day, Sunday June 9, at 12 o'clock, in the Church of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Doylestown, to be followed by a buffet supper and First Priestly Blessing from 4:30 to 7 p.m. at the Pipersville Inn.

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**HORSE TALK:** Saturday, July 6, is the time for everyone to "Join the Union." In this instance it will be the occasion of the first annual horse show sponsored by the Union Horse Company of Doylestown and Vicinity for the Apprehension of Thieves and Other Villains, for the benefit of the Doylestown Hospital. The 138-year-old company, headed by Dr. William Y. Lee, president and Barn Boss, will stage the show on the picturesque estate of Mr. and Mrs. Henry D. Paxson, "Elm Grove Farm," Route 202, Holicong. The show this year will be a one-day affair, with 27 classes. The committee in charge is doing a bang-up job, headed by Dr. Lee, director; Warren B. Watson and Mrs. Harriet Green co-chairmen; Robert J. Harman, advertising; J. Edward Worstall, trophies; Clifford J. Hunt, show manager; Mrs. Adele Paxson, hostess; Mrs. Mary Miller, Milton Benson and Mrs. Paxson, advisors; D. Edwin P. Taylor, veterinarian; A. Russell Thomas, publicity; John W. Gunsner, recording secretary; Mrs. Louise Bolger, show secretary.

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# THIS IS BUCKS COUNTY!



*A Bucks County boy, his dog, a fishing pole and a nearby stream — a scene content and serene, right here in Bucks County, Pennsylvania.*





# Space Probe Started in Bucks

The US Navy's NADC in Bucks County trains Astronauts and develops Space techniques

by  
Johanna Pogson

A pilot moving in on his target has little time to wonder who designed the radar equipment guiding him. His rockets seek out their objectives — their efficiency presumed. And heading back, his mind on home base, he takes for granted his navigational equipment and its operation. Technical problems are for the technicians! And the technicians, more often than not, are the personnel of the U.S. Naval Air Development Center in Johnsville, Bucks County, Pa.

Long before his plane points skyward, research, development and evaluation functions must be conducted to insure its safety and the success of its flight. The discharge of these functions forms part of the mission of the Naval Air Development Cen-

ter, Johnsville.

On 800 acres of real estate, Johnsville contentedly sits back on its behind - the - scenes haunches and quietly makes defense happen.

This defense is accomplished through the development of support equipment, encompassing the fields of aeronautical electronics, armament and pilotless aircraft.

Known as NADC to its 2500 military and civilian personnel, Johnsville is one of five major naval air research and development activities within our area. The others are the Naval Air Engineering Center, Philadelphia; the Naval Air Turbine Test Station, Trenton, N. J.; the Naval Air Technical Services Facility, Philadelphia; and the Naval Air Test Facility,

Lakehurst, N. J.

Each unit covers a specific form of activity — from aeronautical problems of outer space vehicles to the hardware of naval aircraft.

What were the beginnings of the naval activity that has "No Trespassing" signs attached to the wire fence surrounding it?

In 1944 the Brewster Aeronautical Corporation, Johnsville, consisted of production shops, administration buildings and adjoining airfield and hangars — a working space of 1,000,000 square feet.

The Navy appropriated these facilities and established the Naval Air Modification Unit as a branch of the Naval Air Materiel Center, Philadelphia.

The unit was assigned the task of modifying newly-pro-

duced aircraft prior to delivery to the fleet for combat use.

At the end of World War II, need for the unit diminished. It then became the Naval Air Development Station, NADS, dedicated to research and development in aeronautical fields.

But research and development needs increased. Continuous expansion to meet these needs transformed NADS, in 1949, to the Naval Air Development Center. An air station, based at Johnsville, maintains and operates aircraft assigned to the Center and is used in development work by the Centers' laboratories.

Just what goes on behind the wire fencing and closed doors? What does a "Development Center" do?

First, it is necessary to under-



stand the layout of the Center. From three original laboratories of research and development activities at its start, the Center has grown to eight. These laboratories, for the most part, work independent of one another.

One of these eight is the Computer Laboratory. Added to the Center in 1950, it was at first a small engineering team. It then expanded into a laboratory utilizing one of the most elaborate analogue computers in existence — the RCA "Typhoon." (It seems computers are named after types of storms.)

"Typhoon" was designed to solve difficult equations as fast as they could be presented. It is used in studies and analyses of missile flights and performances — including the simulated training flights of the X-15 and the Project Mercury orbital missions.

This laboratory cooperates with other Center activities in simulated flight problems involving human acceleration in experimental aircraft and space vehicles, anti-submarine warfare and designs of missile nose cones.

At the heart of the Aviation Medical Laboratory is the much publicized "Big Wheel" — the world's largest human centrifuge.

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The shuddering impact of collision with the stratosphere is like being thrown against a brick wall. The bewilderment of the increased "G" forces of the earth's pull must be experienced and understood by man before he can breach the barrier of space. The human centrifuge is the tool of this experience.

*An astronaut enters the centrifuge at the US Navy Center in Johnsville, Bucks County for training in space tactics.*

(Official US Navy Photo)

The laboratory itself conducts research in fields of medicine as it applies to aviation.

The Instruments Laboratory and the Photo Experimental Laboratory, added in 1953, functions in the development of aircraft, flight instruments and aerial and airborne photographic equipment. Recent developments by the Photo Experimental Laboratory significantly contributed to the success of the photo reconnaissance flights during the Cuban Crisis of 1962.

The Air-Warfare Research Department conducts long-range studies of future research and development projects, air-warfare concepts and improvements of weapons' systems, tactics and strategy.

One of this laboratory's latest proposals is the "Captured Air Bubble Vessel." The vessel is designed to float on air trapped beneath its hull at speeds in excess of 100 knots.

Development of the project is being jointly conducted by Johnsville and the Naval Air Engineering Center, Philadelphia, where a manned prototype is expected to be ready for trials soon.

The advantage of the "Air Bubble Vessel" is its operation at high speeds in open-sea conditions — increasing mobility and decreasing vulnerability to

submarine attack.

The Anti-Submarine Warfare Laboratory was assigned in 1958, the task of conducting development and design analyses. These to provide the fleet with systems and devices for detecting and destroying underwater targets.

Johnsville contains the world's largest centrifuge, it's true; but there is more. More, even, than a silver-suited U.S. astronaut being blasted into space and the rocket-powered manned X-15 roaring to a new record.

These are tremendous achievements. But unadvertised is the everyday routine work behind these achievements. And the many hands it takes to do the work.

In being a training ground for these flights, Johnsville has brought neighbor-close the realities of space flight. But these realities are more than experiments in human endurance; high speed, pressure chambers and "G" forces. They are the Navy's contribution to the whole of aviation design and medicine. They are the accomplishment of its mission to defend the High Seas.

Johnsville — a behind-the-scenes drama of "big oaks from little acorns grow" — being acted out by players who, one supposes, are too busy to notice



*US Spaceman John Glenn, shown here before entering the huge centrifuge at NADC in Johnsville, during training for his history-making space flight.*  
(Official US Navy Photo)

drama in the execution of a common goal.





*The story of The Shrine of Czestochowa*

# A New Light For Beacon Hill

by

Chris Carr

The Main buildings at the  
American Czestochowa.

(Photo by Brun)

Czestochowa (pronounced Chen-sto-hove-ah) is a word that will become more meaningful to Bucks Countians in the next year. It is a name, a symbol and an ideal. But more than that, it is a link with 30 million people behind the Iron Curtain.

Czestochowa or the Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, is located in rural New Britain Township. The shrine and the great church that will be built nearby are named for an ancient religious center in Poland. The Polish shrine remains a symbol of national freedom even today, when thousands of pilgrims make annual visitations there despite strong Communist government opposition.

The American Czestochowa occupies an 180 acre estate at the junction of Iron Hill and Ferry Roads, west of Doylestown. The present temporary facilities are on the south side of Ferry Road. The top of Bea-

con Hill, on the north side of the road, will be the site of a new church and adjoining monastery.

The Pauline Fathers, a Catholic monastic order, have renamed the hill, Jasna Gora (Yahsna Goorah), which is the name of the hill in Poland where the original shrine is located. Coincidentally, Josna Gora in Polish means 'Hill of Light', or loosely translated, 'Beacon Hill'.

The American shrine will honor Mary, the Mother of Christ in her role as a patroness of the Polish people and Queen of Peace. It will eventually include a monastery with several acres of enclosed formal gardens, a bookstore and facilities for the sale of religious articles. The plans also call for a restaurant, a motel, housing facilities for the aged, a novitiate and in the more distant future, a school.







Close-up of the painting of  
"The Dark Madonna."

The architect's plan for the new church are already completed. It will combine Old World culture and tradition with modern design and facilities. The exterior will feature several slim towering spires that will be visible for miles.

The body of the church, more than 300 feet long, will seat about 3,000 people, 500 more than St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York. Along the sides of the interior will be 14 "small" side chapels, each about 50 feet deep, with its own altar.

The focal point of the shrine will be a true copy of the miraculous picture of Our Lady of Czestochowa, renowned as an art work as well as a religious symbol. The original painting is one of the oldest known portraits of Mary, the Mother of Jesus. Its origin has been scientifically traced to sometime after 431 A.D. According to legend, the picture was painted by Luke, the Apostle, 20 years after the death of Christ.

On the outside of the new church, at the rear of the main altar, will be an open-air altar. This can be used to serve people standing in the huge courtyard surrounding the building. The courtyard will hold 40,000 to 50,000 people.



This photo shows an interior view of the Chapel at the Shrine of Czestochowa, near Doylestown. (Photo by Peter Nappellio)

The top of Jasna Gora or Beacon Hill will be reached by a long, winding drive from Ferry Road. Landscaped walks beside flowing fountains will also lead to the hilltop from a lower level parking areas.

The Shrine at present is a modest plant designed to fulfill the needs of its visitors temporarily. Activities are centered around the Chapel which has been converted from an old

barn. The outside of the Chapel is painted white, and trimmed with traditionally Polish designs in red, gold and blue. Inside, the Chapel is very small. When large numbers of visitors are present, services are held outside.

High above the tiny altar in the place of honor is the copy of the famed portrait of Our Lady of Czestochowa, the

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Parochial School children in authentic folk costumes carry the painting of "The Dark Madonna" at a special gathering at The Shrine. (Photo by Peter Nappellio)





*For a country bicycle hike, Jewel Renner (left) looks young and girlish in a red denim blouse (\$3.95) and a blue denim wrap-around skirt (\$5.95) from the Country Looks collection of Bobbie Brooks from the VOGUE SHOPPE.*

*Cold ? ? ? Freddi Bruehl (below) does a little toe-testing in the pool in a 3-piece cotton jersey outfit by Aileen from MUSSELMAN'S. The sleeveless jersey has a V-neck set off with stripe ribbing at neck and hips. (\$3.98). The cardigan jacket is hooded, casual and has a zipper front. A novel touch is a flap-buttoned pocket on one sleeve. (\$5.98). Her nautical blue pedal pushers are completely lined and priced \$5.98. (Photographed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald L. Toner.)*



**BUCKS COUNTY**

# **Vacation Fashions**

A Panoramic view of "what's new" in Bucks County Shops for your summer vacation.

**Produced by Peggy Gehoe**

(Photos by Richard Kaplinski)





*A white arnel jersey by Kay Windsor is selected by Jewel Renner, to assure her of a crisp, fresh arrival from her trip. The dress is priced at \$14.95. She tops it off with a large, white Panama hat for \$5.95, shortie imported hand-crocheted gloves for \$2.95 and a straw bag for \$5.95.*

**VOGUE SHOPPE**

*Every vacation wardrobe should include at least one Shift, and Jewel Renner has chosen this beige imported linen print Shift that can be either dressed up or down. She wears it for an afternoon luncheon with a rough straw hat. Dress is priced at \$10.95, hat is \$5.95 and straw bag for \$2.95, VOGUE SHOPPE, Doylestown and Perkasio.*

*(above)*

*For Patio Parties, Paula Lucas chose a lovely white waffle pique from MUSSELMAN'S for \$14.98. It is embroidered around the bottom in pink and green roses and comes with a matching stole lined in a sage green polished cotton.*

*(Photographed at home of the Donald L. Toners.)*

# Let's Take A Dip

*Jewel Renner of VOGUE SHOPPE attracts the male eye in a turquoise two-piece swimming suit by Oleg Cassini for Peter Pan. It is of crinkled polished cotton that is elasticized for superb fit. \$23.95. Straw beach hat . . . \$2.95.*

*(Photographed at the home of the Victor S. Underkofflers.)*



*Ready for the long, hot, summer days, Freddi Bruehl selects one of the popular two-piece styles from MUSSELMAN'S Swim Suit collection. This one is navy blue wool by Catalina and is set off by the red, white and blue stripe effect with the pearl buckle trim. \$19.95. Beach robe, \$6.95. (Photographed at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Victor S. Underkoffler.)*

*For sports or leisure, Dan Marschall is ready in this casual attire from MUSSELMAN'S. The slate blue 100% ManLon sports shirt by Manhattan (\$5.00) complements the Dacron, Polyester and cotton natural wash 'nwear shorts by Blue Bell (\$4.98).*







A familiar scene at any pool is the boys clowning. Here are Dick Bach and Bob Pras wearing swim trunks from MUSSELMAN'S Men's Department. Bob, (left) is wearing hand-woven imported bleeding Madras swim trunks by Truval (\$3.95). About to splash in the pool is Dick Bach wearing black, grey and green vertical striped trunks by Truval (\$3.98).

(below)

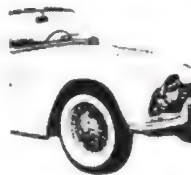
Diving board antics by Bill Hammond wearing Brentwood trunks from STAN BOWERS in a muted plaid of blue, green and brown in the new Jamaica length (\$5.00). Awaiting his turn is Glenn Cookson, wearing a colorful plaid suit of red, green and blue, by Brentwood (\$4.00).



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## A NEW LIGHT FOR BEACON HILL

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'Dark Madonna'. The copy in Doylestown was painted in 1954 and as much as possible, the technique of the original was used. The painting was produced on linden wood, covered with white canvas. It was done on a chalk base and the paint was protected with a coat of resin varnish.

The portrait is a full face view of Mary, with the Child held on her left arm. This attitude differs from other Polish Madonnas. The style of the painting indicates the Eastern or Byzantine school of art. The skin of the Virgin and of Jesus are dark brown, the color of burned wheat, from which the portrait gets the name, 'Dark Madonna'.

Across the driveway from the Chapel stands the large white stone farmhouse which serves as the office and meeting rooms for the Order. It is also the business center for the operation of the shrine. Down the hill behind the Chapel is the open-air cafeteria, where hundreds of meals are served to visitors during the summer. Nearby is the



*This month's Family Album photo shows the graduating class of 1908, Doylestown High School. In the photo are Howard Hall, Ollie Nyce, Sam Spare, Marie Radcliffe, Herb Bishop, Edith Rhodes, Kathryn Billerbeck, Rickie Kirgus and Mazie Campbell. The teacher is Pearl Leatherman. How many others can you spot? (Photo courtesy Mazie Campbell Funk)*

bookstore and the shop for the sale of religious articles.

Arranged around a spacious lawn in front of the Chapel are stone replicas of the Stations of

the Cross, tableaux of the suffering and crucifixion of Christ. Scattered around the grounds also are statues and devotionals including those of Our Lady of Czestochowa and St. Ann de Beaupre.

In another farm house high atop Beacon Hill are the living quarters for the Paulines. Close by is the stark wooden cross which marks the site of the sanctuary for the new Church. Already much land has been cleared in preparation for the construction which will soon begin.

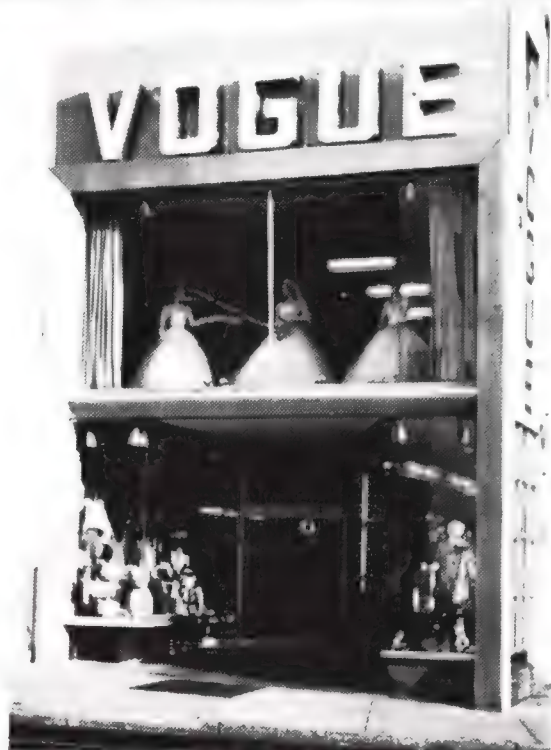
Since 1960 visitors from all over the northeastern United States have been making the trip to the American Czestochowa. From the first Sunday in May regularly until the last Sunday in October, the Shrine facilities are available for large

groups of visitors. On August 26, 1962 for example, nearly 20,000 pilgrims attended the services at the tiny shrine.

The visitors that Sunday, like every other Sunday in the summer, came in both large groups and individual parties; in buses and private cars. Great-grandmothers were helped from cars to comfortable chairs on the spacious lawn. Nearby a group of mothers with their tiny babies sat resting in the shade. High school students from New Jersey practiced the steps of a folk dance. Throughout the crowd, white robed figures greeted old friends and made new ones in Polish, Hungarian and English.

The normal morning schedule for the visitors included attendance at Mass, breakfast and

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Great Historical Discovery

# INDIAN GRAVES FOUND

by

Roy C. Kulp

Panorama Historical Editor

"I raised wonderful good sweet corn and melons in this field — never thought I'd see Indian skeletons!" These were the words of 88-year-old Mahlon Mills, a resident of Upper Bucks County, near "the Narrows." Mills was showing me the site where 12 Indian skeletons have been unearthed recently by a group of archaeologists.

The discovery has been a new chapter in Bucks County's Indian Folklore and has attracted thousands of people, curious to see the burials of the famous Lenni-Lenape Indians.

Over the years, several feet of river sediment and top soil deposited by many floods kept this ancient burial site hidden, until last Fall (1962) when a bulldozer operator, employed by Roy Fair of Ferndale, uncovered a skeleton while doing excavating for the Bethlehem Steel Corporation.

After many weeks of tedious and careful digging and planning, a dozen skeletons were unearthed and an authority was summoned. Mr. John

Witthoft, State Archaeologist and Anthropologist from the Pennsylvania State Museum at Harrisburg, was requested by this group of local amateur archaeologists, to visit this site. After several days of research, he reported that this is the "best and largest find" ever to exist in the Delaware Valley, and dates the burials around 1550 or earlier.

This tract of land has been familiar to collectors and archaeologists for the past 100 years, and is better known as the "Overpeck Site," named after a former owner, John Overpeck.

Talking to a member of this Archaeological Society, J. Penrose Lippincott of Easton R.D., a Lab technician for a local paper mill, I was shown several artifacts he uncovered — an earring made of copper (a rare find) and several triangular arrowheads and pieces of pottery.

Since 1946, Lippincott, better known as "Penny," has been interested in the early Indian sites along the Delaware. With the help of several

other members of the local society, he has done much to preserve the little remaining evidence of this lost tribe.

Other members of the Society who have uncovered burials at this site are Mrs. H. B. Freyermuth, William Stromeier, Eleanor Fehr, William Jacobs, Fred Jacobs and Wesley James.

Other artifacts found during the diggings were copper beads and shell beads, broken pottery decorated with rope, straw punch and bark designs; parts of pipes and many arrowheads.

The archaeologists work with trowels and brushes, step by step, taking a few inches of earth at a time, layer by layer, wondering what they will find next. The area has been "squared off" in order to do a systematic survey of the camp and burial site.

The area has produced many Indian artifacts in the past but nothing that equals this find.

Nearly on top of the "Narrows" lives 88-year-old Mahlon Mills, part Indian, and a life-time resident of the section, who plowed the tract of

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*These photos, taken by the author at the excavation site shown (top left) Mahlon Mills, (bottom, l to r), Wm. Jacobs examining a burial site, a crowd watching the work and a general scene at the site. Above we see an uncovered skeleton and Mr. E. Fehr painstakingly uncovering yet another skeleton.*





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... Contract for building the Doylestown-Chalfont highway was awarded to a Goshen, N. J. firm for \$177,658 ... Ford touring cars cost \$295, but demountable rims were \$85 extra ... A Bucks county criminal court jury remained out 10 hours and disagreed in a drunken driving case with Edward W. Carson of Trenton on trial with Judge Andrew Smith of Susquehanna county on the bench, and John L. DuBois representing Carson and District Attorney Hiram H. Keller, prosecuting.

... A Doylestown tennis team captained by ART DOPE lost to Bethlehem City Tennis Club, 9 to 0 (Doylestown team members were Milt Smith, Thawley Hayman, Bill Hellyer, Ben Horner, Bob Stanton, Art Dope, C. Domm, Joe Ruos and Charlie Kratz) ... Dr. C. Louis Siegler, dentist, who graduated from the University of Pennsylvania, celebrated his silver anniversary of that event ... Five Doylestown homes robbed early on the morning of June 18, 1924 were those of Mrs. William D. Brodie, where they enjoyed a helping of strawberry shortcake; W. L. Mason, Gus Elfman and Mrs. Ridgway Ely, where they stole a man's shirt.

... Fifty-one students graduated from Doylestown High, 33 girls and 18 boys, with Franklin Spencer Evans as commencement speaker ... This was the largest class in the school's history up until that time ... Diplomas were presented by School Board President William H. Satterthwaite ... The class officers were Michael McEntee, president; Virginia C. Pearce, secretary; Norman White, treasurer ... Five honor grads were Philip Kratz, Michael McEntee, Evelyn Garner, Norman T. White and Ethel Homer.

... George R. Leattor opened a washery at his garage on Mary street ... Wynne James, Jr. graduated from Princeton University ... Captain Samuel Stilwell graduated from the University of Pennsylvania Law School and Manager Nick Power's Doylestown baseball team of the Montgomery County League defeated Conshohocken with Earl Blair hurling a one-hitter ... In Norristown, for the second time a jury in the Montgomery county criminal court failed to agree in the trial of George Matthews of Lansdale, a freight clerk employed at the Reading Station in Doylestown, charged with shooting his former fiance, Miss Arlene Irish, of Lansdale, on the morning of December 31, 1923 at the girl's home (the jury was out seven hours at the second trial and 30 hours at the first trial) ... Clarence Gillam, 30, of Woodside, a graduate of George School, killed his mother, 65; his father, 65, and then killed himself with a 12-gauge shotgun.

... The annual Doylestown Hospital Fete enriched the treasury to the extent of \$3,000 ... Samuel A. Hellyer, prominent Doylestown merchant, died of a heart attack at his summer home in Byram, N. J. ... A cyclonic windstorm tore up trees, wrecked houses and injured six persons in the Mechanics Valley section on the afternoon of June 25, 1924, and veterans said the territory looked like a cross section of the Argonne Forest ... Andrew Lojeski, 14, and his brother, Frank, 10, were electrocuted by a high tension line break during a severe storm in the Aquetong area ... Japanese beetle quarantines were established in Warrington, Doylestown, Buckingham and Solebury Townships ... A real nice Palm Beach suit at Ely's in Doylestown, cost \$15.00 ... The June grand jury (1924) congratulated Steward Abe Kriebel and his wife, who prepared 300 cans of fruit for the inmates at the Bucks County Home.

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A BUCKS COUNTY TRADITION

# Old Timers Day

by

C. Norman Detweiler

An annual event that has been accorded nationwide publicity takes place in Quakertown on the fourth Saturday in June. It is Old Timers Day, when thousands of people gather in Memorial Park for a day of reunion and entertainment.

This year, on June 22, former residents of this community will come back home from such far away places as California, Colorado, Florida, and other States in the Union, to visit with relatives and friends.

Old Timers Day had its origin in 1955 when Quakertown celebrated its Centennial Week. It was the late Henry L. Fre-

king who conceived the idea of setting aside a day for Senior Citizens and the closing day of the week's celebration was given over to the Old Timers. The center of activities for the Oldsters was the Bush House porch where folding chairs and rockers were set up to accommodate about forty men and women. But the turnout far exceeded the expectations of Mr. Freking, consequently Front Street was roped off, traffic detoured, and all the available folding chairs in Quakertown were rounded up and placed in the street. Every chair was occupied and hundreds of people



Founder of Old Timers' Day, the late Henry Freking, was caught by candid camera on the one rainy reunion day (1958)

stood around to watch the festivities.

It was a great day, and to quote a phrase so commonly used in yesteryear town topics, "a good time was had by all." So successful was the venture that then and there it was decided to make it an annual affair and Henry Freking was acclaimed the leader for future reunions.

A pet idea of Henry's was to round up all discarded and unused rocking chairs in the community for use in future years and hundreds were donated by local residents. In 1956, on the 23rd of June, Old Timers Day was held in Memorial Park with over two thousand in attendance. Each year, in the same park, the fourth Saturday in June sees increased numbers of people seated beneath the shade trees on those rockers, and hundreds of folks bring the more modern aluminum folding chairs.

Mr. Freking always arranged the day's program so that there would be "something doing" every minute from 10 a.m. until sunset. Always looking for the unusual he booked such enter-

tainers as a left-handed fiddler, blind pianist, square dancers, comedians, Pa. Dutch speakers, string bands, old time vaudeville stars and other unique talent. The Quakertown Band also plays an annual concert for the guests, and electric organ and piano, furnished by local dealers, provide accompaniment for community singing.

When noontime comes every person 65 or over is given free luncheon tickets entitling them to hot or cold sandwiches, coffee and ice cream. Prizes, too, are awarded the Old Timers, to the oldest man and woman, person coming the greatest distance, best dressed in old fashioned clothes, comic costumes, etc.

Because of the tremendous amount of work required to arrange this popular affair, and because of impaired health, Mr. Freking several years ago, then in his 80's, prevailed upon the Quakertown Junior Chamber of Commerce to take over the reins.

These energetic young men have been following Freking's pattern and are doing a great

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Photo taken at the first Old Timers Day on June 23, 1955, on the Bush House porch. (L. to R.) Mrs. Katie Diehl, Mrs. Lydia Minnich and Mrs. Emma Afflerbach. Mrs. Diehl and Mrs. Afflerbach have since passed away.

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June 18th-23rd: "Brigadoon"  
June 25th-July 7th: "South Pacific"  
July 9th-14th: "The Student Prince"  
July 16th-28th: "Carnival"  
July 30th-Aug. 4th: "Can-Can"  
Aug. 6th-11th: Shari Lewis in "Damn Yankees"  
Aug. 13th-18th: "Irma La Douce"  
Aug. 20th-25th: "Paint Your Wagon"  
Aug. 27th-Sept. 1st: "Pajama Game"

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June 24th: Louis Armstrong  
July 1st: The Limelinters  
July 8th: Stan Kenton  
July 15th: Dukes of Dixieland  
July 22nd: Ahmad Jamal  
July 29th: (To be Announced)  
Aug. 5th: Dave Brubeck  
Aug. 12th: Duke Ellington  
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# HENRY MERCER a biography

## PART TWO

by

Chris Carr

Henry Chapman Mercer has often been depicted as a slim grey haired man with a mustache pedaling a bicycle through the streets of Doylestown. His grey homespun suit hanging loosely from his gaunt form, the grey tweed cap pulled low over his eyes, and his faithful companions, the two Chesapeake retrievers, all add to the picturesque, but somewhat provincial portrait of the man.

When people talk about Henry Mercer, there is a perceptible change in their voices. Thirty-three years after his death, memories of him are still vivid and his reputation still lives. Occasionally a visitor to the museum on a lonely day can feel his presence even now, and will swear that the ghost of Henry Mercer maintains a lonely stewardship there.

Mercer's "return" to Doylestown in 1897 was not really the abrupt change that it appeared to be. Instead it was a continuation of his study of anthropology. He saw in Bucks County the microcosm of a handicraft culture that was fast disappearing. He therefore changed his focus from a study of aboriginal man to the study of man's work with his hands, a new phase of anthropology.

Early in the year, in February or March, Mercer went to the home of a man in Doylestown who made a practice of buying up "penny lots" at auction. He was looking for old fireplace tongs, but was soon sidetracked by the profusion of old utensils that were lying around.

Here Mercer conceived the idea that the history of the period prior to the introduction

of steam power could be depicted through a collection of tools and implements. With the coming of the Industrial Revolution, the tools of the hand craft trades were being rapidly swept aside. Mercer saw the need to "rescue" these things and preserve them.

Before long he had begun to collect, among other things, complete sets of the tools of various metal, wood, clay and textile industries. Other people called it junk, but Mercer knew its real value. He was trying to rescue his specimens while the tools were still available. Few could understand his purpose or his foresight.

"In this collection we are original, alone and unique," Mercer wrote. "We need not look far ahead to the time when the 'student of these things will be compelled to come to Doylestown. This is an educational institution that is unique, that no other town possesses, and if our citizens are not proud of it today, their children and grandchildren will be."

In line with his collection of tools of the handicrafts, in the fall of 1897 Harry Mercer served a short and extremely unsuccessful apprenticeship, but one which was to lead him into a new and exciting business venture. This apprenticeship as served at the Herstine Potteries in Nockamixon under the tutelage of the fast-disappearing Pennsylvania-German potters.

Mercer's initial efforts were some crude pots that were subsequently spoiled in burning. Rather than destroying his en-

thusiasm however, these early difficulties created in him the fortitude to master this skill.

Mercer made his first tile in the fall of 1898 at "Indian House", a small building behind Aldie which had served as his archeological workroom. He had abandoned the production of pots and vessels at the urging of his artist friends who admired the artistic quality of his work. For making decorative tiles, he was able to use native red clay which had proven unsuitable in pottery for household use.

The time and the market were opportune for his product, for contemporary architects had begun the reintroduction of fireplaces and tile work. In addition, the artistic quality of the tile then on the market left much to be desired.

Mercer was determined to prevent the beautiful art of the Pennsylvania - German potter from perishing. His original plan was to employ one of the old potters, Frank Bartleman, and to lease the abandoned kiln of the deceased Christian Miller on the North Branch of the Neshaminy near New Galena.

At first the tiles were made at Aldie and transported raw several miles to be burnt in Miller's kiln. The trip was made by horse and wagon through a period of heavy storms and flooding. Little progress was made and the effort was generally considered a failure. It was abandoned in November when Bartleman left.

Through the ensuing fourteen months, Mercer continued his efforts without the help of an

experienced potter. During this time he began to produce designs for his tiles.

Mercer first adapted patterns from his collection of Pennsylvania-German stoveplates and from his experiences in Central America. In addition he designed several tile presses and invented a process which implemented the production of his designs on tile. For lack of a kiln, early experiments were conducted on a dental muffle.

In January 1899 a small experimental oven was built in the chimney at Indian House. Later that month, under the supervision of John Briddes, an English potter, Mercer's first kiln was built in a nearby woodshed. Then, using techniques and formulas obtained from European potters, he continued the development of his own methods.

Mercer was most fortunate in having available the resources of a number of skilled European craftsmen for his study and experimentation. From the English Novelist and craftsman, William de Morgan, for example, he obtained the recipe for the famous de Morgan glaze. In the world-renowned Conti Galli potteries in Florence, Italy, Bucks County clay was tested to determine what glazes could be most effectively used with it.

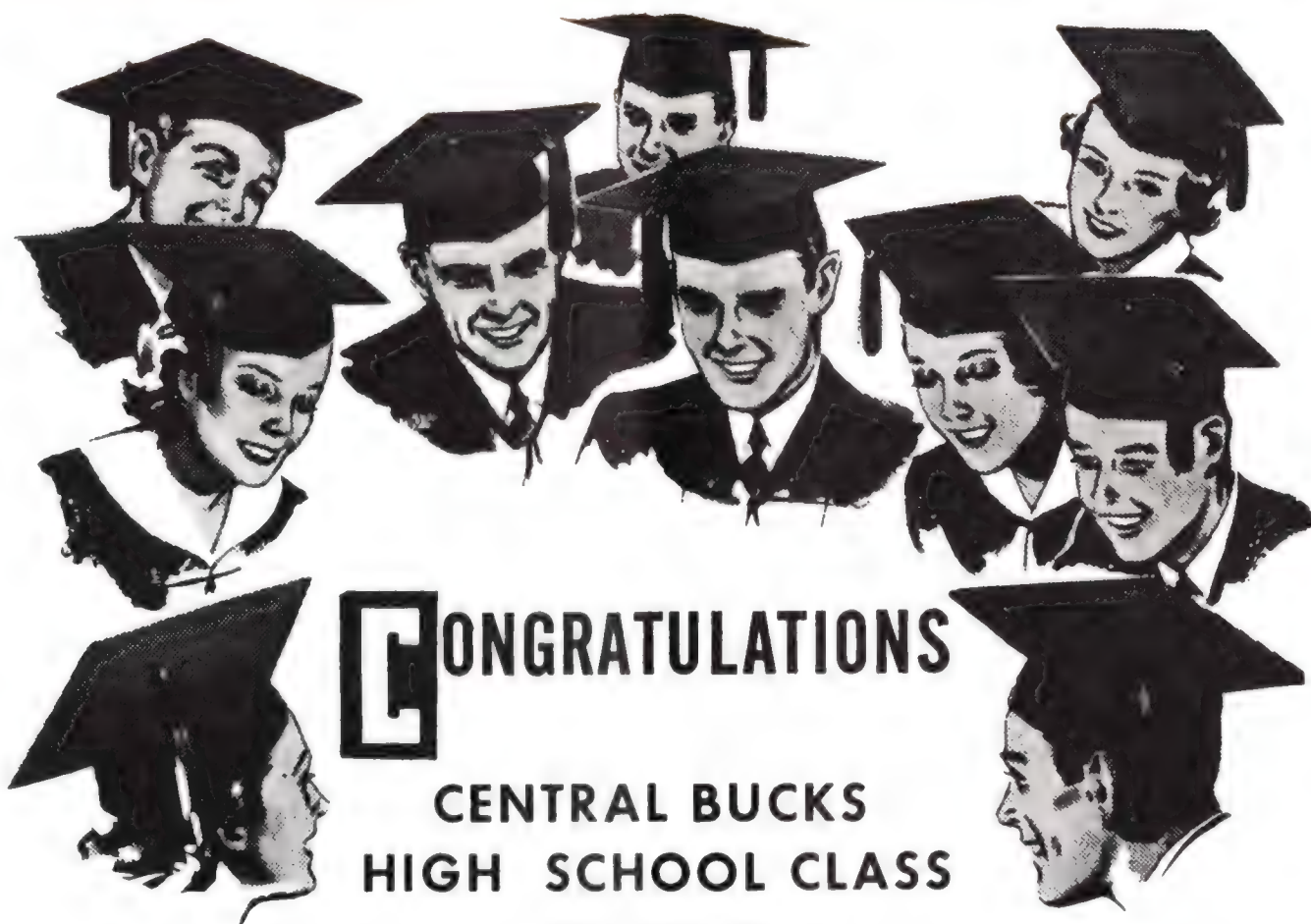
Mercer's tile process was patented on June 19, 1899. On October 24 the pottery received its first order for \$48.00 worth of tiles from Dr. Swartzlander of Doylestown. On November 10 Henry Copley Green of Boston placed the second order. The business grew rapidly until by April 1901, it was able to pay expenses and realize a profit.

In 1902 Mercer developed a new method for making mosaics, and in 1904 a process for printing large designs on fabric and paper. That same year, his craftsmanship was awarded the grand prize at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition in St. Louis.

In 1906 Mercer began the construction of Fonthill, the castle-like mansion on East Court Street which was to be his home, to house his extensive library and collection of art and artifacts, and most important, to serve as a tile museum.

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a tour of the grounds. Lunch was served in an open-air cafeteria. Following this, were Stations of the Cross, a sermon and Benediction in the afternoon. Special prayers were offered for the liberation of Poland and for world peace.

The Pauline Order of priests and lay brothers which operates both the American and Polish shrines, dates back to the 13th century. At that time Bishop Bartholomew of Pecs, Five Churches, Hungary, gave permission for the founding of a

religious order in honor of St. Paul, the First Hermit. The earliest members of the Order were hermits who had been living in caves in the hilly country of Hungary and were finally drawn together into monasteries to serve as an example of piety to the people.

In 1382 Prince Ladislaus of Poland thought so highly of the Order that he requested that a group of monks be sent to his country to establish a monastery at Czestochowa. At that time, the Paulines also became custodians of the famous Madonna.

During Holy Week in 1430, a group of Polish bandits at-

tacked the Shrine seeking the fabulous treasure that was supposed to be stored there. Failing in their treasure hunt, the bandits made off with considerable church property. In defiance, they also slashed the face of the ancient painting three times. The scars from the attack are still visible on the right cheek of the portrait.

According to Church records, the painting has been the source of many miracles including both spiritual conversions and physical cures. The most important of these "miracles" however, was of national significance.

In 1655, the Swedish Army invaded Poland and drove their forces to the very gates of the monastery of Czestochowa. Prior Augustine Kordecki with a small number of monks and dedicated nobles held off over 2,000 Swedish soldiers for six weeks and refused to surrender the Shrine to the enemy. Finally the Swedish commander capitulated and withdrew his troops from the foot of Jasna Gora.

A famous figure in American history also played an important role in the story of Czestochowa. Before Count Casimir Pulaski came to the American colonies to volunteer his services to George Washington during the Revolution, he was a great revolutionary in his fatherland.

In 1768 the King of Poland was planning to partition his country for his own personal gain. Rising against his plan were a group of nobles who called themselves the Bar confederates. One of the leaders of

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# People And Events

At Playhouse

STOVER MILL at Erwinna has announced their summer schedule of events at the Mill. June 1, 2, 8 and 9 will offer a display of the works of CLARA BARNES (portraits and floral paintings.) June 15, 16, 22, 23, 29, 30, HARRY LEITH-ROSS will show landscapes and oils. July 7, 13, 14, 20, 21 will offer selections from the Tinicum Art Festival. The exhibitions are open each Saturday and Sunday from 2 to 5 P.M. The Stover Mill is located on the River Road (Route 32), in Erwinna.

**SPEAKING OF PAINTINGS** on display, a show is now going on at The Mercer Museum of The Bucks County Historical Society. On view will be recently restored portraits of historically important personages, painted primarily by Bucks County artists, Civil War paintings of the 104th's Camp Meridian and local scenes painted by Thomas Otter of Doylestown. Also, works of art produced for the early Volunteer Fire Companies: Painted wooden panels for the hand-pumper engines and hose carts, painted helmets and fire buckets. Supplementing these works of art will be related items from the Mercer Museum collections, including Civil War arms and a "Fireman! Save My Child" statue.

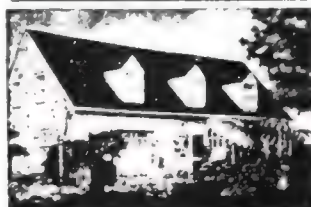
Folksinger PETE SEEGAR will be the leadoff attraction at The Lambertville Music Circus Summer Folk Festival on Sunday, June 9 at the "Big Top". The folk concerts will be presented Sunday afternoons at 4 P.M. through-out the summer season.

'DOC BILL' LEE, President and Barn Boss of Doylestown's Union Horse Co. (better known as "The Horse

Thieves") sends us a reminder that The Union Horse company is sponsoring "The First Annual Horse Show of The Union Horse Company of Doylestown" at the Paxson Farm ("Elm Grove Farm"), Rte 263 in Holicong starting at 8 AM on July 6. There will be 27 classes, both adult and junior. Doc notes that this is probably the first serious undertaking for the Union Horse Company in perhaps the full 128 years of its existence. Mark the date on your calendar and be there. You'll have a wonderful time and lots of fun.

**DON'T FORGET, "The VILLAGE FAIR"**, sponsored by the Doylestown Junior Women's Club on behalf of The Doylestown Hospital. It will be an even bigger affair than ever this year with many new features; an antique car show, a chicken barbecue, a band concert, a baby parade, an art show, an appearance of "Happy The Clown" of TV fame, a fashion show and, of course, a giant midway. Don't miss it, as you'll have a good time. The date — June 8, the place — War Memorial Field, Doylestown.

EDWARD FUNK of the Chalfont Fire Company reports the Annual Chalfont Fire Company Carnival will be held July 23 through July 27. "Bigger and Better" are the words for this year's affair, with entertainment for teenagers and the kiddies, not to mention fun for all.



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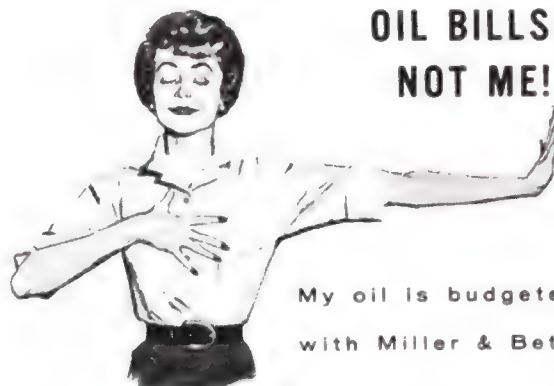


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## Beacon Hill

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the confederates was Casimir Pulaski.

For 21 months Pulaski served as commander of the fortress-monastery of Czestochowa and defended Jasna Gora against the attacking Russians. On December 31, 1772 the Russian commander, General Drewitz began his all-out push which continued until January 14.

Pulaski held off 4,000 well-trained, well-equipped men with less than a thousand volunteers and few supplies. Finally Drewitz withdrew and the Polish won at least a moral victory. The partition, however, was affected three years later.

The American Czestochowa is at present staffed by 16 members of the Pauline Order. They include priests, lay brothers and two young novices. Most of the American Paulines are natives of Poland, but many have served with their Order throughout the world.

The American Paulines are led by Father Michael Zembruski, an energetic man of medium build with dark curly hair and sparkling eyes. Father

Zembruski is well equipped for the tremendous undertaking he is directing.

Born and educated in Poland, Father Zembruski served his early priesthood at the ancient shrine of Czestochowa. In 1934 he was sent to Hungary to reopen the Pauline monasteries there and to rebuild the Pauline Order. These monasteries had been closed by Joseph II in 1786.

Father Zembruski remained in Hungary until 1948 when he and the other members of his Order were expelled by the Communists. From there, he took his monks to Rome where they worked until 1951 when the plan for the American Czestochowa was formed.

That year Father Zembruski and his versatile companion, Brother Casimir made their initial trip to the United States under the sponsorship of the late Cardinal O'Hara of Philadelphia. In 1955 they purchased their first lot of 40 acres of land near Doylestown. In 1960 the Shrine was opened to the public.

Visitors to the shrine seldom see more than a few of the priests on the premises. Many of them are traveling much of the time, preaching and teaching in parishes throughout the country.

The lay brothers can often be seen however, at work in the fields, the kitchen, the office and with the novices. Brother Mark, for example, is a trained carpenter. He does all the necessary maintenance around the chapel and the Shrine grounds. He also serves Mass on Sunday, plays the organ or takes charge of the collection. In addition, Brother Mark is in charge of decorating the altar with fresh flowers and is the chapel sexton.

Brother Didak is the "chief cook and bottle washer" for the Order. He cooks for the brothers and priests, supervises the household and cooks for and supervises the Cafeteria on the Shrine grounds. Brother Didak specializes in his native Hungarian cooking and is renowned for his goulash.

Brother Casimir is a man of many skills and abilities. When an unusual job comes up at the Shrine, it is often assigned to Brother Casimir. He is the bulldozer operator, hewer of trees, motion picture projectionist, groundsman and ambassador of good will.

Originally a contemplative order, the Paulines also served in parishes and schools in Europe. In Doylestown, they are often seen in street or work clothes which are more practical for the varied jobs they must perform. Traditionally however, they wear the white monk habit.

The Pauline Fathers couple a great pride in their Polish heritage with an even greater pride in their newly acquired American citizenship. They are attempting to kindle a light on a high hill in Bucks County, a light that will penetrate a thick oppressive curtain.

## Old Timers

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job of playing host to thousands of residents and former residents each year. The 1963 reunion will be marked by a touch of sadness because of the passing of its founder who departed this life this year at the age of 84, but the sponsoring organization will carry on the tradition as a tribute to the man who made this big event in Quakertown so happy an occasion for those who are traveling down the highway into the sunset of life.

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## RAMBLING WITH RUSS

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WE NOTICED: That the Bucks County Prison, now in charge of Major John Case, is undergoing many fine improvements . . . The Prison truck patch is also showing the results of expert treatment . . . The Mercer Museum of the Bucks County Historical Society, Doylestown, is now open on Monday as well as the rest of the week, according to Leonard Johnson, executive director . . . Philadelphia Architect J. Roy Carroll, Jr., of the firm of Carroll, Grisdale and VanAlen, designers of the \$7.5-million Bucks county courthouse in D-Town, was elected president of the American Institute of Architects at the annual convention in Miami Beach, Fla.

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THIRTY: The biggest news in May of 1963 was the magnificent flight of Astronaut L. Gordon Cooper in his Faith 7 capsule, marking another step toward putting an American on the moon.

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## Indian Grave

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Historians have estimated that approximately 850,000 Indians were living in the area which now comprises the mainland of the United States, when Columbus reached the Western Hemisphere in 1492.

During the following three-hundred years, when thousands of Europeans were immigrating to the new world, the American Indian nearly became extinct. The Indians were a relatively land many times. He showed me an Indian axe he found and many Indian arrowheads. Mills recalled his childhood to me when his half-Indian grandfather told him that Indians lived and were buried in the area. He remembered seeing his grandfather using a bow and arrow that he had made himself, out of hickory wood, eel skin and a piece of broken stone, shooting wild game with great accuracy.

healthy race, but suddenly plagued with smallpox, over-indulgence of Fire-Water (whiskey) and wars of extermination, their number was steadily reduced to less than 250,000 by the end of the 19th Century.

Those Indians that inhabited the entire basin of the Delaware River were the Lenni Lenape or Delaware Indians (so called by the early English settlers), a part of the Algonkian tribe of North America.

A fine description of these Indians that lived along the Delaware comes from an interesting letter written by William Penn in 1683 . . . "they are generally tall, straight, well built with a lofty chin: Black complexion, but by design, as the Gypsies in England, they grease themselves with bear-fat clarified. . . . Their eye is little and black . . . thick lips and flat noses, and truly an Italian complexion . . . and some have a Roman nose. . . ."

Based on these new findings by the members of Chapter 14 Pennsylvania Archaeology Society of Easton, perhaps a new history can be written about these people who lived in the Delaware Valley.

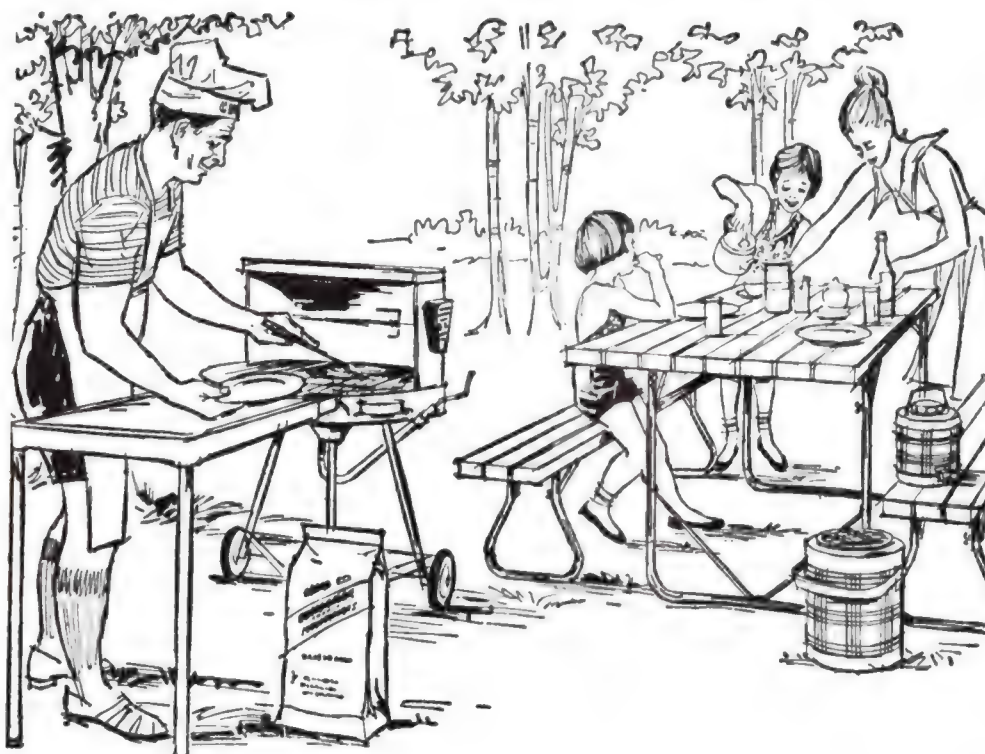
Should Panorama readers wish to visit the scene of the findings, they are located in Bridgeton Township, Upper Bucks County, approximately two miles above Upper Black Eddy in a field several hundred feet off Route 32 (River Rd.) between the Delaware River and the canal.

(Ed. Note—Mr. Kulp is making a study into these new findings and will report all developments as they happen in future issues of Panorama.)

## Veteran

JOHN FOSTER of Doylestown recently received a plaque from the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company for being a dealer for their company for 15 years. Actually, John has been associated with Goodyear for 30 years, as he worked with them 15 years prior to opening his store in Doylestown.

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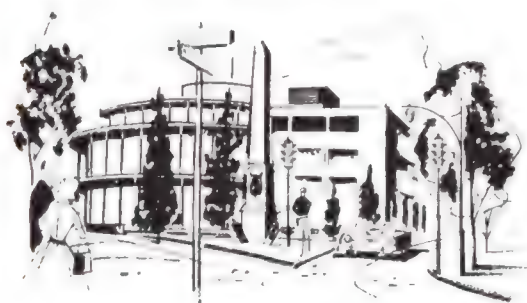
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# Around The County



June 1963

Here it is June again, and another summer season is off to a good start here in Bucks County. The Playhouse has been open for some weeks, the Music Circus just opened, and the countryside is reaching new heights in beauty. The antique dealers have been working hard to fill their shops with "new" antiques in preparation of the summer rush. The swimming pools are already being filled up with eager swimmers. We think summer in Bucks County is the nicest time of the year, although Spring and Fall and Winter are nice too. I guess it's just Bucks County. Any time is great here.

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A big event here in Bucks is the Greater Bucks County Fair held annually at Quakertown. The date for this year's Fair is August 20 to 24, and it looks like it will be a real "swinger." The Fair committee has lined up some top entertainment this year including RAY PRICE, MINNIE PEARL, JEAN SHEPHERD and our local favorites, The QUAKERTOWN BAND. The Quakertown Band is perhaps the finest band of it's kind in these parts. More than 100,000 persons are expected to visit the fair this year. Some exhibit space is still available, and interested parties should contact HOWARD ARNOLD over in Silverdale for information.

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There's a new park area in Doylestown according to The Bucks County Planning Commission. The park, consisting of about 7 acres will be on the grounds of Fonthill (The Castle on Court Street).

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We had the pleasure of being the guests of The Town and Country Players at the opening of their 1963 season. The opening play, "Private Lives" was very a well done. It was our first visit to the Players barn on Route 263 in Buckingham, and they have done a wonderful job of remodeling it. This group deserves a lot of credit and a great deal of support. They offer fine theatre. Don't miss their next show. We know you will enjoy it very much.

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Doylestown's MIKE EVANGELISTA has been promoted from Manager of Doylestown's County Theatre to manager of the new Prince Theatre in Princeton, N. J. Both theatres are operated by Budco, Inc., a chain of theatres headed by Doylestown's CLAUDE E. SCHLANGER. The new manager at the County Theatre is LEE HALL.

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There was a sizeable run of Shad this year in the Delaware. The YARDLEY NEWS reported that up to 500 Shad

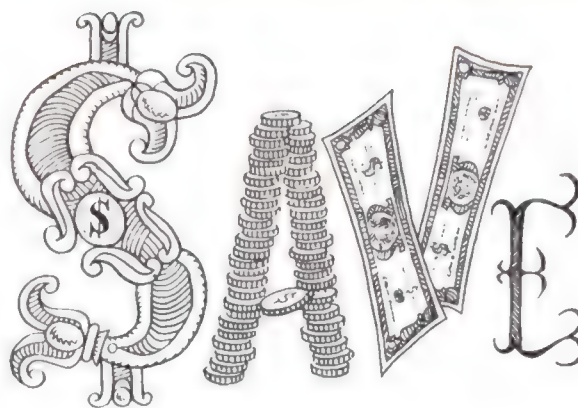
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Father Brugger

The Rev. JOACHIM F. BRUGGER, S.A., of Pipersville, will be ordained a priest of the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement on June 8 in Washington, D.C. Father Joachim will be assigned to Graymoor's St. John's Seminary at Montour Falls, N.Y. He will celebrate his First Solemn High Mass on Sunday, June 9 in Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church here in Doylestown. Father Joachim is the brother of JOE and BOB BRUGGER of Pipersville.

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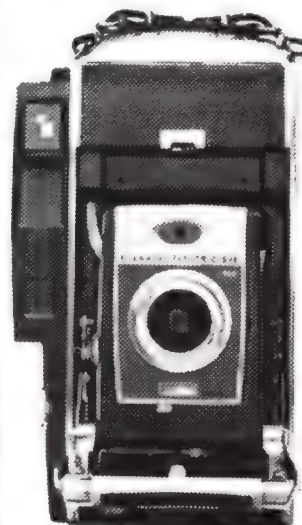
Movie Star CELESTE HOLM appeared at Solebury School last month in a delightful show, "With Love and Laughter", prior to being sent on a European Tour by The State Department.

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Panorama has a new reader—JAMES S. YOUNG, born April 28 to "Ma and Pa Young," (Mr. and Mrs. Barton Young). "Uncle Dick" has a new nephew.  
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In case anyone ever asks you, Fayette County in Western Penna. was named for General Lafayette. The boys up in Harrisburg tell us it has a land area of 800 square miles and a population of 169,340. Slip these little facts into casual dinner conversation some nite, and we are sure you'll be the hit of the party.  
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The TOHICKON LIONS CLUB will hold their First Charter Nite Anniversary and Ladies' Nite Dinner Dance on Thursday June 13 at 8 P.M. at The Gobbler's in Point Pleasant. Tickets are \$5. each.  
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MIKE RUTLEDGE of Chalfont and Doylestown, who, in the past couple of years has contributed several articles to PANORAMA, is now serving with the U. S. Navy. Mike recently enlisted with "the fleet" for a four year hitch. Good Luck!  
\* \* \*

The Men of Tohickon will hold their seventh annual junior horseshow at Hearstone Farm, 3 miles east of Plumsteadville on Stump Road, Saturday, June 8. The United Cerebral Palsy of Central and Upper Bucks County will benefit. Last year the proceeds were nearly \$1000.00. The show starts at 10 A.M.  
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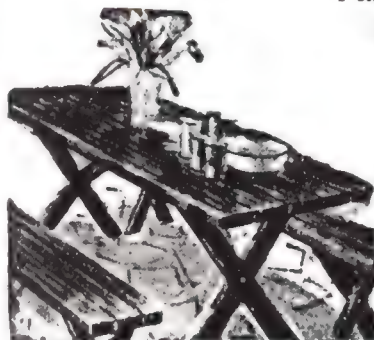
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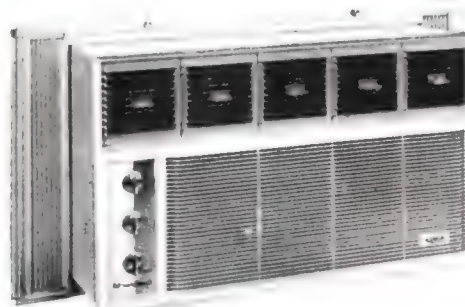
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Nick . . . In service

NICK SHARPS of Doylestown, now with the US Air Force, has just been transferred to Chanute AFB in Illinois to undergo more training. EUGENE and JOHN DeWitt of Doylestown, also with the Air Force are now stationed at Shepard AFB in Texas. Bucks County seems to be very big with the Air Force.

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Local politician ALAN WILLIAMS is backing the state 5% sales tax plan. More taxes for more spending seems to be the rule these days. Guess these politicians never heard of economy!

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New Jersey's Public Service Coordinated Transport is planning to run bus service from New York to New Hope. No date set at press time.

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## Around Town

MIKE ELLIS' Bucks County Playhouse is off to an excellent start this year. Raves have greeted the first two plays of the season. We missed the first one, "Nobody Loves Me," but was chatting with playhouse regular Mrs. JOE CONROY at an intermission recently, and she said it was great. We did catch the second show, "Critic's Choice," with JAN MURRAY and MINDY CARSON, and it was excellent. Many good shows to come, including "The Moon Is Blue," starring TV personality MERV GRIFFIN. Get your tickets early, as we feel the quality of shows scheduled is so good that tickets for shows later in the season will be hard to get.

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A DATE — The annual "Blind Artists Concert" will be held in Glenside this year on June 19th. The location is the Glenside War Memorial Bldg. and the time is 8:30 P.M.

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Add to the list of interesting road names in Bucks County this one we spotted in Warwick Township near Jamison recently; "Turkey Trot Road". Have you seen any other interesting road names in your travels around Bucks County? Let us know about them.

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Thanks to BOB PRAS and BARON FELDMAN, Editors of Delaware Valley College's newspaper "The DVC Furrow" for sending me copies of the paper. The staff of the paper, under the direction of CHARLES MCGURK and HAROLD NIGHTWINE, do an excellent job.

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Congratulations are in order to CAROLE ANN RATHFON and Doylestown's BILL LOUX on their engagement. They plan a September wedding. Another engagement of note is that of SANDY ROEDER and "BUZZ" HAPP, both of Doylestown. Ah, in Spring a young man's fancy turns to thoughts of what the girls have been thinking about all winter.

\*\*\*  
New business in town is the B & B Beverage Distributors in the former Rosenberger Building on N. Main Street, opposite the Doylestown Shopping Center. We wish owners BARNEY JARINS and BUD CAREW the best of luck.

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Former Panorama Sports Car Editor ROGER CONDUIT and former Holbert's Garage man STAN STEPHENSON have collaborated on a new magazine, "Top Gear," for sports car fans.

To facilitate shopping on West State Street, the parking lot is open behind the Fountain House.

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Mr. JAMES HOUSEMAN has recently been appointed full-time organist and choir director at Point Pleasant Baptist Church.

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HERMAN M. BISHOP, a member of the CBHS Future Farmers received the highest score in the FFA State dairy cow project and won First Place medal in the state-wide competition.

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DAVID NEIL JAYNE has been appointed to the Cooperative Extension staff as Assistant Bucks County Agent, aiding County Agent BILL GREENAWALT.

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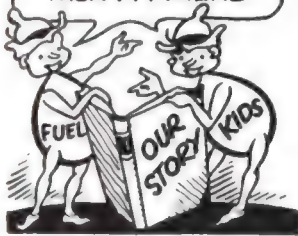


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## Around Town

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Former Panorama Art Director GEORGE MATTHEWS, now with Uncle Sam's Air Force, was selected as "Airman of The Month" of the Reno Air Defense Command for the month of April. George was selected over several thousand other Airmen. Congratulations!

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Congratulations to the students at Quakertown Community High School who have a hand in publishing the school magazine, "The Quaker Challenge". The magazine recently won a first place award from The Columbia Press Association of Columbia University. "The Chalanette", published by the junior high school at Quakertown also took a first prize in the nation-wide competition. Lots of budding journalists in Upper Bucks.

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Mr. & Mrs. WILLIAM GOMMEL of New Britain proudly announce the marriage of their daughter Donna, to Mr. Harry Vandegrift, Jr. The wedding took place on May 25, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Doylestown. (Mrs. William Gommel is "Sophie" of the Doylestown Police force.) This is the second marriage within two months in the Gommel home.

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## Mercer

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rooms, he arranged them according to plan and then determined the exterior design.

Fonthill incorporates a good deal of the local history that Mercer loved. The Morning Room, for example, was paneled with old Doylestown doors of varying dates and styles from 1760 to 1850. The heavy outer doors of the house were made of oak planks from the old covered bridge at Chalfont.

The volume of Mercer's business had long since outgrown its quarters at Aldie. One of the major contracts awarded the Tile Works was that for the paving of the State Capitol at Harrisburg. This included about 60,000 square feet of floor tile and remains a monument to Mercer's artistry today.

In 1911 he decided to build a new and unique plant in which his business could be comfortably and efficiently handled. On a tract adjacent to Fonthill, Mercer began the construction of the cloister-shaped building that was to become the Moravian Pottery. As with all of his building projects, he was engineer, architect and building supervisor.

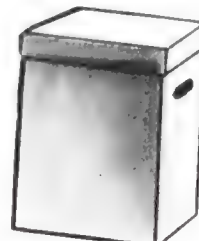
Work continued at Indian

House however, until October 12, 1912, when with great difficulty and without disturbing the work, the whole pottery was moved to its new location. Mercer continued his work at the pottery until his death, and the pottery still remains self-supporting. Mercer tiles have maintained their unusual hand-crafted quality, and have become cherished pieces of decorative art.

Mercer tiles can also be found in both the Gardner Mansion, now a museum, and the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston. At the latter, Mercer paved two galleries with his Spanish and Italian floor tiles. Here he faced the difficult problem of providing a color glaze that would not wear off under foot. He did this by lowering small areas of the glazed design beneath the walking surface of the floor, thus protecting the glazed area from wear. Mercer's method was so successful that the colors remain as true today as they were when installed.

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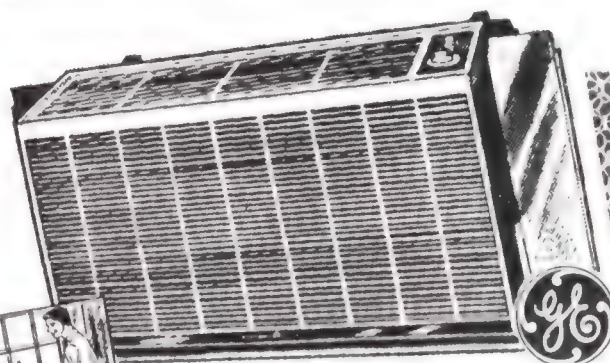
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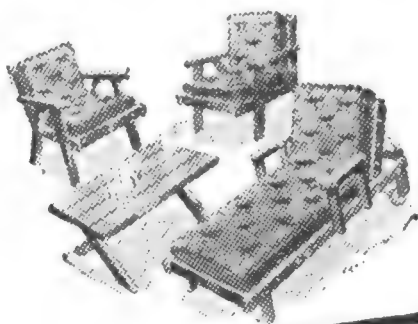
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Maurice K. Goddard  
Secretary  
Dept. of Forests & Waters  
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### Lincoln Letter

Dear Mr. Alliger:

In reading over the March issue of Panorama, I find one item under Letters, on page 3, regarding the story of the man that helped to plant the cornfield for Mrs. Suratt at the time previous to the assassination of President Lincoln.

I was very interested to read this article because my father-in-law was a Captain in the U.S. Navy during the Civil War. At the time of the assassination of Abraham Lincoln, Mr. Eli D. Edmonds, (my father-in-law), was off duty in Washington because his ship was being recommissioned.

He boarded at the boarding house kept by this Mrs. Suratt mentioned in the article, and he was subpoenaed by the Court to appear as a witness. And believe it or not, he had to testify to the fact that one of the conspirators and he were playing cards in the boarding house the night that the Government stated this other party was at another place. Of course, Mr. Edmonds had to testify

that he could not possibly have been anywhere but in the room where they were playing cards, but he (the conspirator) was hung anyway, so it didn't make any difference.

I. K. B. Hansell  
Ambler, Pa.

### Bucks County

Dear Mr. Alliger:

A Doylestown friend mailed me a copy of the May Panorama and I was intrigued with it. I read with interest "Life along the Delaware Canal" and was thrilled with the picture having as its caption "This is BUCKS COUNTY! The white house on Main Street across from the Court House was my "second home," when I attended High School. It belonged to my uncle Asher Lear then and is now an apartment house owned by my cousin, Norman Lear. The hills in the background I call "the hills of home." Until September 1929 Dublin, Pennsylvania was my home.

I happen to be one of the seventeen graduates from the Doylestown High School, class of 1913 (mentioned on Page 26.)

I am enclosing a check for a two years' subscription to Panorama.

Florence Buckner Espeseth  
Billings, Montana

### Applause

Dick,

Congratulations. PANORAMA is "Tops" in my book. "Besten Gluck" (best of luck in English). Here's my subscription.

Fred B-Ler  
Allentown

Dear Sirs:

I think your magazine is a dandy asset for anyone to have. I read it through, including all the ads. Am looking forward to the next issue.

B. M. Meredith, Sr.  
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### Shrine

Dear Mr. Alliger:

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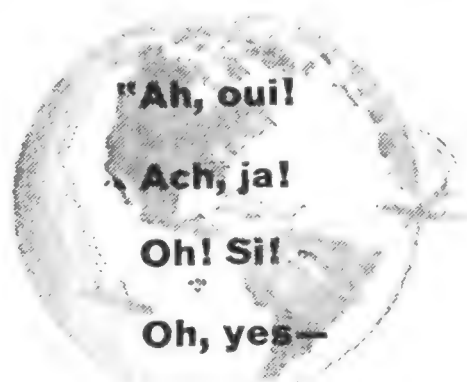
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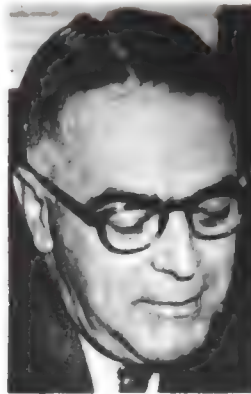
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## Rambling with Russ

by

A. Russell Thomas

### IN GOOD OLD 1923

FORTY YEARS AGO: Well do I remember as a news reporter visiting the Bucks County Prison on a hot July afternoon for a brief visit with Head Keeper Grant Myers. My attention was called to two men in the same cell. They were both well dressed and were anything but the criminal type usually found in a penal institution. To my surprise, I learned that one youth, a resident of Albany, N. Y., was an accredited correspondent for the largest news service in the world, while his "buddy in crime", a graduate of Yale University, was a mechanical engineer in New York City.

Two \$10 notes was all that separated them from the outside world. They had been fined by Justice of the Peace Kunsman in Morrisville, for illegal train riding. They had not a copper on them and the justice sent them both to the Bucks County Prison for 10 days.

"I've a wife and three children in New York, so please do not publish my name in your local paper if you are a reporter," pleaded the mechanical engineer.

"Well, old-timer", added the press correspondent from his cell, "you can 'shoot' the story of this combination, but as a scribe to a scribe, please do not use my name."

So the story passed on, but the names were worth far more than the \$10 fines.

As I recall details, the duo became stranded in Philadelphia. They had planned to reach New York at a certain time and took a chance on a fast freight, taking a jump at the West Philadelphia yards. A railroad "bull" (detective), spied them and wired Jersey City. In turn the Jersey City authorities wired the Morrisville Yards to be on the lookout for the two men.

As the freight pulled into the Morrisville section, the men were brought face to face with a .32-automatic and a command of "hands up". The arrest took place on the spot. The only thing the two somewhat humiliated unfortunates remembered is that the policeman slipped them a lone dollar to get a bite to eat before leaving for Doylestown and the Pine Street confines of the Bucks County Prison.

ONE MAGGIE Fenton telephoned the Bristol Courier early one July morning 40 years ago (one of the newspapers that I represented as a correspondent), requesting the city editor friend of mine that her name be kept out of the paper. Mrs. Fenton's explanation of a raid conducted by State Police at her home the night before was as follows: "I had a little party Saturday afternoon for my eight-year-old daughter. A friend of mine brought me in a little whiskey in a demijohn, and the State Police came in and got it. I will have to get Judge Yerkes, I guess, and he will fix that up all right. Just keep it out of the paper and tell your Doylestown correspondent the same thing, and I'll pay for it."

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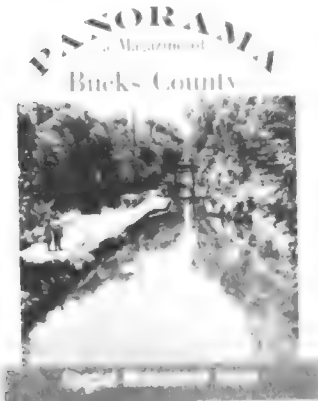
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## Sports Memory

Russ Thomas

Well DO I remember scoring and writing the most lop-sided basketball game I have ever witnessed. That was 41 years ago last February 16, on the Doylestown Armory floor.

The occasion was refreshed in my memory a short time ago when Frank "Cootie" Stultz (Frank Stultz, Doylestown master plumber to you) handed me a messed-up newspaper clipping, yellow with age, containing a sports story written by one ART DOPE, a Doylestown sports editor at that time.

It may be a bit humiliating for the fans of Bristol to recall, but it did happen. On this occasion Doylestown High, coached by ALLEN GARDY, ran up a record on Bristol High that made the record books and threatened to "out-Passaic" the high scores being made in those days by the nationally famous Passaic High quintet.

The final score, mind you, was 83 to 5, as Doylestown shut out the Bristol team without a field goal. The down-county team, ART DOPE wrote "was bewildered by the brilliance of the Doylestown team and put up weak resistance after the first minute of play".

Doylestown scored 30 points in the first eight minutes of the game before Bristol registered a foul chance. The first half ended with Doylestown in front, 45 to 2.

I doubt whether the passing and the shooting of the Doylestown quintet has ever been equaled. Most of the shots were from directly under the basket on beautiful passes to the man cutting in.

Roy Gulick, now a retired Marine Corps general, pulled a couple of circus shots for Doylestown. His shot from over and "behind the piano" that stood in one corner of the Armory was a spectacular that NBC would be glad to televise.

Architect Fred Martin caged some pretty shots and Ken Rufe (deceased), dropped in two fielders. Rufe smeared the Bristol play like nobody's

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July 9th-14th: "The Student Prince"

July 16th-28th: "Carnival"

July 30th-Aug. 4th: "Can-Can"

Aug. 6th-11th: Shari Lewis in "Damn Yankees"

Aug. 13th-18th: "Irma La Douce"

Aug. 20th-25th: "Paint Your Wagon"

Aug. 27th-Sept. 1st: "Pajama Game"

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July 22nd: Ahmad Jamal

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Aug. 5th: Dave Brubeck

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Aug. 19th: George Shearing

Aug. 26th: Maynard Ferguson

Sept. 2nd: Modern Jazz Quartet

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# THIS IS BUCKS COUNTY!



*Summer in Bucks County, a most beautiful time,  
as illustrated in this photo by Sara Clark of a farm  
near Buckingham.*



# Decoupage

and

**DOROTHY HARROWER**

by

**Johanna Pogson**

"I must get a paint brush in my hand. . ." Stopping abruptly on Fifth Avenue one autumn day, Dorothy Harrower gazed into an artist's supply shop and silently made plans.

Her decision added another facet to the sparkling career of a woman who, at forty, decided to become an artist—after being a New York actress and later, an interior decorator.

And that decision eventually led her and her husband, Pascal Ramsey Harrower, to the twenty-two room Dutch Colonial house on River Road in Upper Black Eddy, Bucks County—and a thriving business in the ancient and little understood art of decoupage.

"Harrower House", the home of "Pat" Harrower, distinguished ex-Wall Streeter, and his wife, petite, silver-haired Dorothy Harrower, is a valentine calling card of lavenders and blues—crammed full of "object d'art" in decoupage.

The house is a serene and silent incentive to Mrs. Harrower's pupils to master the 18th century art of ornamenting household objects with paper cut outs and applying varnish as a preservative.



"I loathe anyone to speak of the modern period of decoration as functional," says Mrs. Harrower, in the earthy manner of an Ethel Barrymore. "Each period has its reason for being. It's always been functional. But I need more than straight lines and a clean look. I need beauty and elegance."

After studying still life, she glided into the fascinating and imaginative craft of decoupage. This art of cutting out and improvising paper designs for a new dimension may be applied to shadow boxes, trays, wastebaskets, chests, lamp shades, murals and other accessories.

Dorothy Harrower was formerly a dramatic actress in stock companies, road shows and vaudeville. She appeared in stock with Jessie Bonstelle, in vaudeville with the late William Gaxton and in Kaufman's and Hart's "You Can't Take It With You".

Later, a member of the American Institute of Decorators, she planned interiors for the Mohawk Carpet Company, handled their publicity and lectured on the field of decorating.

"Harrower House"—formerly "Nockamixon Inn"—was built in 1774. Within two years, after occupancy, the Harrowers remodeled the interior and set up a studio and separate "school rooms" where Mrs. Harrower conducts 4-week courses in decoupage from autumn through spring.

The old carriage house was remodeled into a shop. Here, the delicate prints, decorated papers and gold trim imported from Europe and used in the craft, may be purchased.

Intent on introducing to her students the never-never-land possibilities of delicate patterns and lacy borders, she teaches them the "fundamentals of design." After furnishing written material that each student may take away, Mrs. Harrower guides the fainthearted with "Decoupage is an inventive art. Never be afraid for you cannot

make a mistake."

Adding to her storehouse of knowledge is the background Mrs. Harrower received from her travels of Italy, France, Germany, Austria, Belgium and England.

With photographs, she has captured the beauty of the palaces of Austria and Germany and the baroque architectural detail of Palladic's buildings in Vienna—survivals of 17th and 18th century Europe.

Certain origins of decoupage connote this period: the Chinoiserie of Pillimont, French court artist, and the prints of the Italian artist Piranesi.

In decoupage, the function of an object is to tell a story. . .

But to decorate with decoupage, the object must first be examined to determine its basic form: square, circle or rec-

tangle.

"The box," says Mrs. Harrower, "is a favorite object for decoupage enthusiasts. It symbolizes to me the human body, containing all treasures and complete in itself. When I have my students decorate a box, it is completely done—in and out, top and bottom."

Mrs. Harrower dispels any fears the amateur might have concerning "talent"—or the lack of it—by saying,

"You can't appreciate the heights until you explore the depths. You never know how much you can create until, on your own, you create."

The tools for this creation are simple "dime store things"—a knife, a scizzors, a small hammer, paste, etc. The knack of holding the knife or scizzors away from the body, on a slight slant, is soon mastered.

Patience and an appreciation of beauty are the requisites for membership in the growing alumna of decoupage devotees. A can of paint can hold mystery and enjoyment. And any illustration, engraving, silhouette or decorative paper is a suitable potential once the "bug has bitten".

Every surface has limitations and presents its own challenge. Space is the greatest challenge of all. And it is the art of decoupage—as well as the craft—that devises a clever and attractive composite within that limited space.

A sense of elegance and accomplishment are soul-deep desires in each of us. Because she "wanted to get a paint brush in her hand", Dorothy Harrower is helping many to satisfy those desires—and enjoy life just a little bit more.



*This beautiful old colonial home is now known near and far as "Harrower House of Decoupage."*

# The State Without A Star

by

Johanna M Pogson

## *The story of 'The State in Schuylkill Fishing Club'*

A tree-lined path in Andalusia, Bucks County will take you back in time—200 years.

It winds its way from a heavily traveled state road to the secluded banks of the Delaware—and the “State in Schuylkill Fishing Club”—the oldest club in the English speaking ‘new world.’

Only those invited take this path. But if you honor the solemn re-enactment of timeless traditions, you are a likely candidate for the skin-prickling sensation of drinking a toast in memory of George Washington—a guest in 1785—when the club was already 53 years old.

It is a Wednesday morning

on the river bank. One of 13 specified “fishing days” . . .

The year is unimportant. It is as it was in 1732, when the club was organized for hunting and fishing purposes by 27 fishermen-humorists, including James Logan, Penn's secretary.

Their original site, in use till 1822, comprised an acre of

ground on the estate of William Warner, a member of the Society of Friends. His estate bordered the western bank of the Schuylkill.

Considering themselves “neighbors” of the colony of Pennsylvania, the innovators whimsically set in motion a “Colony in Schuylkill”. They passed rules and resolutions bearing close semblance to the colonial government they emulated.

Chiefs of the Leni Lenape tribe attended a council of the new colony. They granted their hosts unalienable hunting and fishing privileges in the vicinity. And for many years the citizens—as members are called—used those privileges unstintingly.

Many of the colony's founders were businessmen. They were aware of possible administrative work bogging down their efforts. Thus, affairs of the colony were to be decided by a Governor, a Treasurer, a Sheriff, a Coroner—who was to make rulings on the fitness of food for consumption—and a Council. The infant colony had taken its first toddling steps into history.

The club, long ago, migrated to the banks of the Delaware. The supply of fish has been spent. But the traditions live on. Traditions that band together the Schuylkillians in camaraderie, to prepare and serve to each other menus of ancient heritage and remove themselves to a world of their ancestor's imagery.





If you were permitted to sit in on a "fishing day"—every other Wednesday from May to October—you would see businessmen and retired gentlemen cross the threshold of the "State House".

Removing their jackets, the men would don their symbolic white aprons, embossed with the Schuylkillian seal of antiquity—the sign of the Perch. Then thrusting a towel into their apron strings, they would be off to greet the Governor and the caterer of the day.

The caterer's position is held in high esteem. It befalls each citizen once every several years. And it is his responsibility that each dish is according to age-old requirements. He writes the day's menu on a large blackboard. After each dish, the name of the man he appoints to prepare it. He is the maitre d'—and is not permitted a place at the table he has overseered.

It was decreed in the early days that membership not exceed 30 citizens and 10 apprentices at one time. Since the club's inception, only 417 members have joined its ranks. But wealth is not a prerequisite, as thought by many. More important is an appreciation of the club's principles.

The apprentices await citizenship. Re-elected to their positions each year, each becomes a citizen at one's death or resignation. Their duties are manifold. They make themselves useful and assist those in charge. They prepare and serve the main meal to a table they have set according to rigid specifications. The placement of glassware, silverware and dinnerware must be as it was over 200 years ago.



*This is "The Castle" of the club.*

And, it has been decreed, "apprentices shall not take seats at the dinner table with the members and guests until after the second regular toast has been drunk unless invited by the Governor."

It was in 1747, in the vicinity of the Girard Avenue bridge, that the citizens built their first courthouse. It was decreed that the owner of the land—the "Baron"—receive 3 fresh perch annually as rental. The perch

were carried to him in formal ceremony, held aloft on a 6 ft. pewter platter.

During the Revolution, the colony all but disbanded. But in 1781, it merged with Ft. St. David's, another fishing club on the river. Together, they became the "State in Schuylkill".

In 1812, the State built a new courthouse. They called it the "Castle"—and you will still see in use today the simple wooden structure—painted with

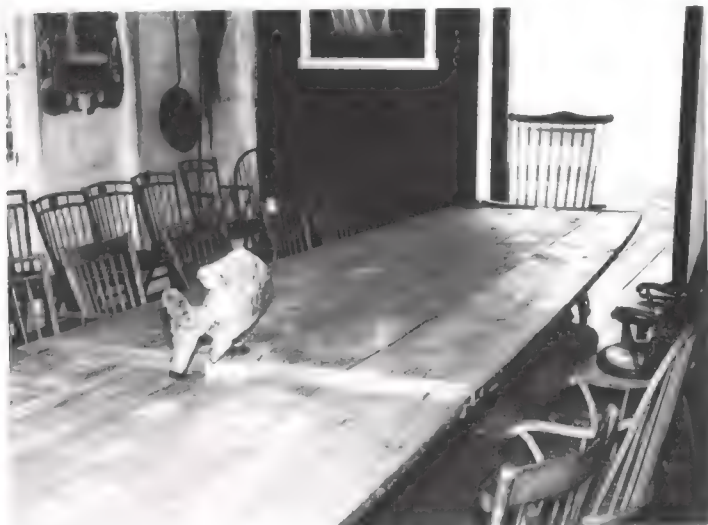
a lemon-colored whitewash.

In 1822, the Castle, fully intact, was taken by barge to Rambo's Rock, near Gray's Ferry.

In 1871, it found itself just below Eddington, Pa.—on the banks of the Delaware. But chemical fumes from a nearby industrial plant killed the State's trees and destroyed its lawn.

So, in 1944, the Castle was on the move again. This time,

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*Above is the original virgin-teakwood table, where club members eat.*



*This is the cooking shed, where the wonderful meals are prepared.*

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disassembled board by board, it was taken 3 miles down river—to Andalusia.

Over the years, the club has become known as the "Fish House". And its celebrated "Fish House Punch" has been imitated in living rooms and lounges—without success.

The citizens treat their potent punch with respect. It remains a state innovation where it first appeared along with Samuel Morris—the State's most highly regarded Governor.

The ceremony of the punch begins when the caterer places a large chunk of ice into the revered 9-gallon Lowestoff bowl, then allows all ingredients to marinate for several hours.

This container, the "Ross Bowl", was brought back from the China trade by a citizen and merchant, Capt. Ross, who presented it to the citizens for their use.

Upon reaching the distinction, a citizen is responsible to the State for a set of silverware. Upon each handle is inscribed his name. He is as likely to use his silverware as that which belonged to Lafayette, who visited the club in 1825 and became an honorary member.

The Victorian interior of the State House, adjacent to the Castle and there when the Castle was settled, is a veritable museum of the State's possessions.

Possessions which include the original Mandarin hat, kept under glass, brought from the China trade by Capt. Ross and presented to the citizens. They had replicas made of the hat and used them while fishing.

Also under glass—faded pewter and embellished dinnerware—reminiscent of Washington's day.

On the State House walls hang paintings by early governors. And charts and maps of the club's fledgling days bear allegiance to its perpetuity.

On a "fishing day", you might see the citizens utilizing their "time off" from specified duties by playing shuffleboard. Or engaging in discussions that must be devoid of politics and religion. Or playing baseball or the State's spacious 3-acre lawn. Or taking a nap.

Individually, they wait together for the summons to the Governor's drink—the ringing of the bell atop the Castle—and the beginning of the pro-

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# The Case of The Infatuated Bigamist

by  
Peter Phelps

James Linci, everyone knew, was an insanely jealous husband. He married Ida Fry of Edison July 29th in the year 1912, much against everyone's advice. Everyone knew he was a hot-head — a no-good who couldn't hold a job, and that Ida would come to rue the day she married him.

Now, on the day of February 19th, in the year of 1913, he was even more the talk of the town. He had just lost a job as a barber in Doylestown; he and Ida had had to move in with her sister in Edison, and it had come to be known Ida was to have his child. It was also common knowledge by now that James stayed home most of the time, insisting that Ida stay right with him in the room. He was too jealous to let her out of his sight. So infatuated, in fact, he wouldn't leave her long enough to go to work, or even to look for work. Poor Ida.

What everyone did *not* know was that James Linci had another wife and two children somewhere in New Jersey. Nor did they know that his jealousy on the morning of February 19th had reached such proportions that not only couldn't he let Ida out of his sight, he

could not let her live any longer. It would be too risky, he'd decided. She might leave him someday.

So he planned all the night before that he would kill Ida. Then himself. He wrote a farewell note to the world, placed the gun where he could easily get at it the next day, then climbed into bed beside Ida, listening to her sweet breathing until he himself fell asleep.

The next morning, he could hear her sister open the door to go outside with the ashes. "Keep going, Mrs. Wolfsberger," he said to himself, "I have a murder and a suicide to do." Wherever his mother-in-law was right now, he didn't know. But he would work much too fast to be hindered by any interference from that old woman.

Suddenly it was day. Suddenly Ida was up and in her white underslip. She was standing at the end of the bed looking down, tying the ribbons of her camisole.

James Linci arose, walked towards the hidden gun with cool deliberation, snatched it up, aimed and fired. Then fired again, right at Ida's breast.

"Oh my God! Oh my God!"

Ida Linci looked at her husband, stunned. Then she reeled back onto the bed, her fingers still clutching the ribbons of her bodice. Before he could aim the gun at himself, he could see she was dead. A tiny fire was blazing in the hole the bullet had made in her camisole.

He stood at the foot of the bed where she had stood and fired again at his own breast.

After a few interminable seconds, Ida's mother flew into the room. Downstairs in the distant haze of consciousness, he could hear his sister-in-law screaming.

The mother was putting the fire out over Ida's breast, then the one over his. It had been real close range, all right.

"Forgive me," he whispered in pained words to the mother.

She looked down at him with hate in her eyes. "How can I, after what you have done? . . ."

James Linci closed his eyes. The pain was unbearable agony, but soon it would surely come to an end and he could join his Ida in heaven.

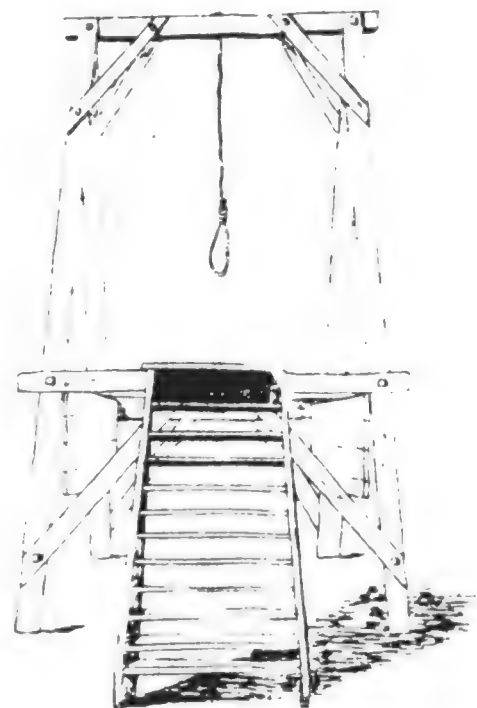
When Linci awoke again, he

was not in heaven, nor anywhere near the other place, as yet. He was in the Jewish Hospital in Philadelphia. Reporters and doctors kept constant vigil. He wished they would all go away and let him die. But James was not to die as he so wished. Gradually he regained strength, was operated on and recovered. His trial was brief and to the point. Governor Tener slated his execution for July 4th, 1914 . . . not by electrocution, the newly instituted method for capital punishment in Pennsylvania, as so many expected, but he was sentenced to the gallows, for at the time he committed the crime, hanging was the method of punishment. So by hanging would he die.

So, although James Linci didn't plan it that way, he died with some questionable distinction: he was the last man hanged in Bucks County.

Ida's death remained a sad memory for a long time in the little town of Edison. Those who attended her funeral recall the last moments were the saddest of all — her grave caved in twice.

## The last man to be hung in Bucks County!



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TOCOL OF STATE.

The Sheriff raps the traditional mace, a silver-tipped, perch-handled, 5 ft. shaft, on the rear porch of the Castle. And the citizens gather together at his accompanying words,

"Oyez. Oyez. Oyez. All good Schuylkillians, make way to the Castle, by order of his excellency, the Governor."

The apprentices pass punch-laden trays and to the Governor's words—"Gentlemen, the State in Schuylkill"—a toast is drunk.

The primitive fireplace, coal stove and cooking utensils you would notice in the "cooking shed", behind the Castle, remain unchanged in the days of eye-level ovens and push-button ranges.

Dinner, which might consist

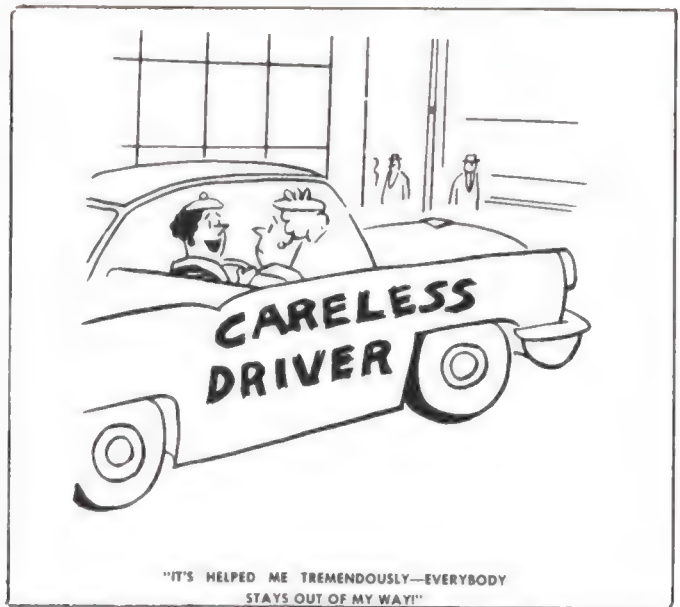
of cream of clam soup, planked shad with roe sauce—a State "inspiration" of the 1760's—Suckling Pig, Fish House tomatoes and various vegetables, is eaten at an early hour. There is no electricity in the Castle.

The dinner table, of virgin teakwood, was in the club's possession when Washington was a guest. Seating approximately 30, it resembles the body of a fish with the head and tail removed. If weather permits, dinner is served on the lawn.

With dinner over, you would notice all eyes turn expectantly toward the Governor. Soon, rising from his winged Penn chair, presented to the State by Penn's descendants, he would inquire,

"Gentlemen, are your glasses charged? Please rise and uncover and drink the first regular

toast—the memory of Washington."



A second toast is drunk in honor of Samuel Morris. Then all protocol is ended. Apprentices are invited to be seated. Guests are invited to speak. Cigarettes are lit from burning sticks of punk set on the table in individual containers. And coffee, ground by the Schuylkillians, is enjoyed, perhaps for the second time.

While the flux of the outside world wars against itself, the "Fish House" plans its next "fishing day"—and gives rebirth to its lasting legacy.

Among the pages of the "History of the Schuylkill Fishing Company", published by a member in 1889, are the words,

"If you look to its antiquity, it is most ancient—

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LET'S TAKE A TRIP

# WINONA FALLS

## IN THE POCONOS

by

Richard J. Alliger

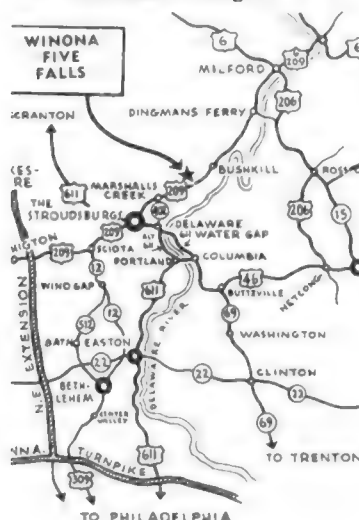
A wonderful day trip for a family outing would take you north of Bucks County to the Poconos and the breath takingly beautiful Winona Falls near Bushkill.

We left Central Bucks County about 10 AM one morning, and arrived in time for a picnic lunch at the beautiful picnic grounds, just below the first falls.

The Winona Falls are actually five falls, each one a little different than the next. They plunge down a total of 175 feet through the spectacular Pocono woodlands. Paths have been constructed around and over the falls, so that visitors may observe the beauty of the falls from all angles. We might note here that the paths are "rustic" and do not "interfere" with the scenery. We suggest sneakers or low shoes for the climb.

The Winona Falls have a local legend behind them that is rather interesting. They were named in honor of a beautiful Indian Princess, Winona, who

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*This is the new stern-wheeler that is now "steaming" up and down the Delaware River from New Hope. The boat is operated by Peter Pascuzzo of New Hope, and has already proved very popular with all who have taken the ride. The craft is named after Doylestown writer "Sara Maynard Clark," who christened the boat with a bottle of champagne in the true tradition of the high seas. (Panorama Photo by Richard Kaplinski)*

### A MIDSUMMER'S DREAM DISH

Fanciful dreams may be expected of a midsummer night, but comes a midsummer's day then dreams must turn to substance. Nourishing meals are important even when the weather's scorching, if the family's health is to stay up to par. We homemakers had best figure out some fanciful yet hearty dream dishes that will tempt lagging appetites no matter what the temperature.

Turkey dishes fit the bill to perfection. So much so that July has been designated Midsummer Turkey Time, as an annual event.

There's always something magnificent about a turkey. Perhaps it's the size, or the bird's long tradition laden

history, or the fact that only recently was it taken out of the realm of a rare delicacy and into the class of an all-purpose, year 'round food. Whatever the reason, a turkey has a way of stimulating both the imaginations and the appetites of even the most wearied members of the family. Fortunately, it's an easy-to-eat and easy-to-prepare food, both nutritious and satisfying, and lends itself well to the eating patterns of midsummer.

Small wonder that turkey consumption has been gaining steadily in recent years, the big birds are tastier, meatier, and more delicious than ever they were. Scientific breeding and management have seen to that. In addition, most turkeys sold at the markets today have been slaughtered under federal inspection, which guarantees they are wholesome and have been processed under rigid standards for cleanliness. Most often, too, they've been graded by U. S. Department of Agriculture examiners for quality, assuring the food shopper of just the quality she's looking for and paying for.

Since the turn of the century, turkey consumption has increased from a nominal quantity to some 6½ pounds per person in 1960. Because of the larger supplies this year, and their appealing low cost, some 7¼ pounds per person are likely to appear on the average American dinner plate.

Food shoppers will be buying their turkeys whole, halved, quartered, or cut into separate

parts, such as thighs, wings, and breasts. Buying the bird in parts will make it possible to please even the most finicky members of the family, satisfying both white and dark meat fans, and assuring there are enough drumsticks to go around for those who want them.

If You're planning a backyard barbecue, the turkey parts may be a particularly good choice. They lend themselves well to broiling, barbecuing and frying. The individual pieces, complete in themselves make pleasant "picnic style" eating. Before broiling, marinate the pieces in barbecue sauce or French dressing or rub with a favorite spice — they'll be crisp and tangy when finished.

Turkey in a basket is another favorite, both for indoor and outdoor eating. The fried pieces, crunchy and delectable, are fun to eat as finger food. Serve with a tossed green or a peach salad.

If you're planning to serve the whole bird, in all its glory, it might be best to use the indoor oven or a rotisserie, and make a grand entrance with the finished product. When the big feast is done, you'll possibly have enough left over for delicious turkey sandwiches for the next day, or for tasty salad preparations, or even for a casserole or a la king dish.

USDA home economists recommend a Turkey-Potato Pie with Cornbread topping for a delectable leftover dish. Melt 3 tablespoons butter, add 4 table-



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# HENRY MERCER

## a biography

by

Chris Carr

Part Three

In 1916, when the size of the collection made adequate display impossible, Mercer built and established the present museum at Pine and Ashland streets. He directed the work on a day-to-day basis.

The building was designed to provide a unique manner of display for large objects such as wagons, whaleboats and mills. The galleried construction of the museum permits these items to be studied from many angles, thus increasing the understanding of them.

While the uninitiated tend to scoff at Mercer's architectural projects, to the experts his reinforced concrete buildings are bold and exciting. Ilse Reese, in *Progressive Architecture*, has called Mercer an "action architect" who designs on the spot in close contact with the crew.

"The courtyard scheme (in the museum)," she says, "is not unlike Frank Lloyd Wright's Guggenheim Museum, although Mercer uses interconnecting steps rather than ramps. Mercer's bold and frank exposure of the concrete framework make Wright's stuccoed version look like papier-mache in comparison."

By the time the museum was complete and the collection on display, Mercer had still another project in mind. Although the implements he collected reflected the development of technology in this country and in Europe, he was eager to docu-

ment tools and utensils in the Far East as well. In 1921 he began the financing of the China Expedition under the direction of Rudolf P. Hommel.

Hommel had met Mercer in 1915 after corresponding with him about stoveplates and their inscriptions. Mercer found in Hommel the scholar he needed to conduct the researches on China's technology. He persuaded him to leave the American Electro-Chemical Society of Lehigh and head the project.

Hommel lived in China for eight years from 1921 to 1926, and from 1928 to 1930. Forced out by war in 1927, he journeyed to Japan where he spent some time studying tools there. Hommel's assignment was to record photographs and descriptions, the tools and implements of the Chinese people.

The Chinese peasants were shy and reluctant to be photographed, however. The process was slow and costly. Late in 1928, Mercer wrote Hommel to hold out for the winter and try for more pictures but, he wrote in his diary, "the fate of the Chinese expeditions seems doubtful."

Although still unfinished at the time of his death, Mercer provided for the completion of the project in his will. The result, a book called "China at Work" was finally published in 1937.

Besides his architectural works, many remnants of Mercer's interests remain in Doyle-

town today. The beautiful tiled altar walls at the Salem United Church of Christ were one example of his industry and generosity. Rather than donate money to the church, Mercer executed a remarkable group of Biblical tiles. One, the Baptism of Christ, was an adaptation of the design of one of the oldest European stoveplates and was designed specifically for this church.

The wooded area surrounding Fonthill was established by Mercer as an Arboretum for the Doylestown Nature Club in 1928. The Arboretum was to be devoted to the study and history of the trees of America, particularly those on the eastern seaboard.

Mercer also continued his writing in his later years. In documentation of two important phases of his collection, he compiled "The Bible in Iron" in 1914 and "Ancient Carpenter's Tools" in 1929.

"The Bible in Iron" was a treatise on Pennsylvania-German stoves and stoveplates and their history. "Ancient Carpenter's Tools" was a study of the tools of the carpenter, joiner, lumberman and cabinetmaker of the 18th century. Later Mercer tried his hand at fiction publishing "November Night Tales" a series of short stories, in 1928, and "The Well of Monte Corbo", a novel, in 1930.

During this period Mercer also presented an outstanding series of papers before the Bucks County Historical Society. In addition, he was able to stimulate others in the area to pursue projects involving original historical research.

There can be no question that Mercer had his idiosyncracies. He seldom rode in a closed car, for example. He never learned to drive a car, nor did he own one.

He had an unpredictable temper that could be extremely cutting, but he was aware of his sarcasm. With those he respected, he was usually quick to make amends without actually apologizing.

Mercer deplored the "worship of the machine" at the expense of other values. He was a leader in the craft movement, which has been called a revolt against the Industrial Revolution. He could not believe that machine-made products could be compared artistically with those made by hand.

In line with this, he was ap-

palled by the general lack of respect for and understanding of the past. He was, he believed, living in a barbarous age when things of real value were being wantonly destroyed when they had outlived their usefulness.

Mercer refused to be fitted at the tailor's. When he needed a new suit, an old one was sent down to be used as a pattern. His tailor was instructed to reinforce the lapels of his coats because his habit of constantly pulling on them, caused them to tear loose. His driving costume, a great Venetian opera cloak, was derived from a desire for comfort rather than any awareness of fashion.

Mercer had great compassion and fondness for animals. He deeply resented any sign of their mistreatment. He told the story with an ironic grin, of the day when he came upon some youngsters throwing stones at a small bat that had fallen into a pond.

Mercer told them to stop, and fished the bat out of the pond with a stick. As he picked the frightened animal up in his hand, it sank its teeth into his finger. Mercer, rather than allow the boys to laugh at him, carried the creature behind a tree, loosened his hand from its teeth, and then released it.

Mercer also had a strong feeling for economy. He was still using in 1925, a bicycle he had purchased in 1895. In building the Museum he made careful note of each of the costs involved, including \$.25 for a phone call to Philadelphia and \$.20 for freight on five pieces of hardware. Being a practical man, he also used second-hand lumber to build the forms for his poured concrete construction.

His good friend and manager, Frank Swain told the story of the hot April day when he and Mercer were driving up the Point Pleasant Pike. An old lady, the wife of the gatekeeper, came out to collect the toll. Mercer thought she charged him a cent more than the proper rate. In pursuing his point, an argument began.

"At first (the old woman) seemed frightened, but later she got so mad that all of Napoleon's army could not have made her change her mind, so the penny was handed over. Mercer then realized that his horse was tired and asked if he might have a bucket to water him. 'No, damned if you may,

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## RAMBLING WITH RUSS

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FROM MY 1923 Scrapbook: The Orange Home near Hatboro suffered a \$30,000 fire loss, caused by a blaze that started in a toilet room. . . . The late Joseph R. Grundy, multi-millionaire, was presented with an engrossed resolution upon his return to his home in Bristol, but the news story (quite a lengthy one failed to state where he returned from or had been. . . . Deputy Clerk of Orphans Court Rae Myers (now Mrs. Norman Penrose, D-Town), issued a marriage license to William Robert Fenald and his bride-to-be Eleanor G. Harte in the Doylestown Court House. . . . Fenald was the chief engineer aboard the great steamship Leviathan on its maiden trip out of New York harbor (they were married by the late Justice of the Peace Robert G. Hendricks when a clergyman was unavailable at the time. . . . Oliver Kerns, of New Britain, was killed when struck by a Philadelphia and Reading Railroad train near Chalfont.

IT RAINED and hailed "cats and dogs" on July Fourth 1923, but caused no damage in Central Bucks. . . . In spite of showers, 2500 fans attended the Warminster Driving Club July 4th matinee and saw George McLaughlin's "Tramp Boy" win the Class C pace event in split heats in 2.20 and 2.21, with Bert Worthington's "Aquillon" taking the odd heat (the second) in 2.21. . . . Asher K. Anders was elected Democratic county chairman when Webster S. Achey declined. (Other officers elected were Laura Candy, Langhorne; A. Fred Scheetz, Doylestown; John D. James, Doylestown and J. Carroll Molloy, Pineville).

BRISTOL BOROUGH became dry as the proverbial bone due to an unannounced Sunday raid on many stores and homes by Chief of Police McCarthy, staging his first drive against illicit booze in that borough. . . . The Crescent Ice Cream Company plant in Perkasic was sold at sheriff's sale for \$24,000, with outstanding debts of \$74,611.16.

JIMMY WORK, a graduate of National Farm School in 1912 (now Dr. James Work, president of Delaware Valley College of Science and Agriculture), was selected as chief aeronautical engineer at the U. S. Naval Air Station, Lakehurst, N. J., in full charge of the construction work at that station, at a salary of \$8,000 a year. . . . He was in complete charge of the erection of the famous "ZR-1", the giant American Zeppelin erected at that station—the largest airship in the world at that time, a ship that made one of its official test flights over the campus of the then National Farm School and Doylestown Borough.

CONSPIRACY: State Police of the Doylestown sub-station were called out to investigate what was believed to be a conspiracy or black hand plot to wipe out the family of Kuzma Maximuk, a Solebury farmer, who lost two cows that were poisoned by a dose of Paris Green placed in a well on the Maximuk farm by some unknown hand. . . . The poison was placed in a pipe that led to the farm well and to the house. . . . Maximuk was a farmer who was shot four times by his farmer-partner Michael Kwasnik in May (1932) following an altercation on the farm. . . . Kwasnik was later named defendant in a suit for \$10,000 damages filed by Maximuk, in the Bucks county courts.

DURING THE month of July 40 years ago, the Bucks county marriage license bureau issued 39 licenses to applicants from 10 states and six foreign countries. . . . This year (1963) in May, for instance, 266 marriage licenses were granted. . . . Forty years ago, Judge William C. Ryan fixed the salary of the county court crier at \$720 per year, paid monthly. . . . The current salary of the court crier is \$2,912 annually, paid semi-monthly.

JULY 1963: Don't forget the "horse show date", Saturday, July 6 at the Paxson Farm, Holicong, off Route 202, sponsored by the Union Horse Company of Doylestown and Vicinity, for

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# THE FAMILY ALBUM



This is one of the oldest photographs published in Panorama. The scene is the Durham Cave, before its destruction, and the group is the American Institute of Mining Engineers, who held a special meeting at the site. Photo taken May 20, 1886.

## Winona

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sacrificed her life by a death leap into the turbulent waters so as to bring an end to the war between her father's tribe and that of her beloved warrior.

Because of its spectacular beauty, its complete picnic area and its refreshing lack of "over commercialization", we suggest you put Winona Falls on your list of pleasant 'day trips' from Bucks County.

Winona Falls may be reached from Bucks County by following Route 611 to Stroudsburg, turning right on Route 209 in Stroudsburg and follow signs to the falls. Pack a lunch, enjoy a picnic, and be sure to

take your camera. Best of all, have a good time.

### MUSEUM OPEN MONDAYS

The Mercer Museum of The Bucks County Historical Society, Pine and Ashland Streets, Doylestown, will now be open on Monday as well as the rest of the week, according to Leonard Johnson, Executive Director.

The hours will be the same as the week-days, 10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. The rapidly increasing use of the museum by the public, and by school and adult groups has necessitated the expansion of museum hours.

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### Rambling With Russ

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the exclusive benefit of the Doylestown Hospital. . . . Tickets are now available for the "Governor's Night" performance of "Carnival", at St. John Terrell's Lambertville Music Circus, for the benefit of the Bucks County Republican Party, with Governor and Mrs. William W. Scranton as guests of honor. . . . Ground will be broken shortly for the new \$601,000 expansion of the Doylestown Hospital. . . . The Bucks County Boroughs Association will meet at Conti's Cross Keys Inn (Doylestown), Tuesday night, July 23, at 7 p.m. when there will be a report of the 52nd annual state convention of boroughs.

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NEAR THE END: We still think that it is high time that some bright "brain" should devise ways and means of reducing, or at least freezing, tax rates. . . . Looking forward to your Social Security age without a worthwhile sideline, and hoping to remain alive, is one question I'd like to hear answered. . . . This reporter has an "amen" to pass along to those responsible for Federal Urban Renewal's fate in Doylestown. . . .

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MY ORCHID-OF-THE-MONTH: To Doylestown Borough Councilman Allen Bogert, who won the First Ward Council nomination by ONE vote over competition presented by a member of his same party in the recent primary. . . . All this reporter can say as a monthly Council observer and correspondent, is that incumbent Allen Bogert has made one of the very finest councilmen this D-Town has ever had, and that a ONE-vote margin victory was as good as an edge of two-hundred.

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DOYLESTOWN Borough Manager Gardner Pearsall said a mouthful in his recent Monthly Bulletin when he wrote "Try not to confuse Republicans and Democrats, both of them are confused enough already!"



# PLAIN and FANCY COOKING

Harriet Fox, Woman's Page Editor

## Ole! For A Mexican Feast



Even giving parties can be dull if you don't vary the theme and menu. For your next large get-together, try a Mexican fiesta. Many people think that Mexican food is hot and greasy. Actually, neither need be true.

Carlos, the proprietor of El Parador, a popular Mexican restaurant in New York City, suggests a menu for a party which can be prepared beforehand and is adaptable for any number of people. The main course is a chicken and rice casserole which can be cooked the day before and reheated if you wish. Before this, serve guacamole, a piquant avocado spread, and for dessert, small, light-as-air cookies called polvorones. None of these dishes is heavy or spicy, so your guests, even the ones with delicate stomachs, needn't worry.

Set off this enticing meal with a rustic Mexican setting.

As an appetizer, serve guacamole, an avocado dip eaten with crisp corn crackers. Mash the meat of several ripe avocados with a fork. Add a pinch of salt. Refrigerate and serve in a bowl surrounded by Fritos.

For the main course, the subtle, lingering flavor of chicken and rice (arroz con pollo) will delight your guests. If you prefer a fish dish, this can also be made with shrimp.

### Chicken and Rice (Arroz con pollo) (5-6 servings)

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| 2½ pound fryer or frozen breasts & thighs, thawed | 1 Spanish onion, sliced                         |
| 1 cup uncooked rice                               | half garlic clove, minced                       |
| Salt, pepper                                      | 2 cups beef bouillon                            |
| 3 oz. can mushrooms, drained                      | 1 green pepper                                  |
|   | Several small sausages, strips of bacon or pork |

Brown the chicken in a separate pan. Combine the mushrooms, sausage or bacon and spices (salt, pepper; oregano, bay leaf and paprika if desired) and saute. Drain any fat. Add this and chicken to the rice and bouillon. Cover and cook in casserole or heavy pan for 20 minutes. After rice boils, lower flame. Under the pan lid, place a sheet of brown paper to absorb moisture. Taste after about 15 minutes. If too dry, add more bouillon; if too moist, cook a little longer.

### Polvorones (tiny Spanish wedding cookies)

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| ½ cup butter       | 2 cups flour, sifted                 |
| ½ cup shortening   | ¾ cup finely chopped nuts            |
| 1 teaspoon vanilla | ½ cup powdered sugar to dust cookies |

Combine butter, shortening and vanilla. Add flour and nuts. Shape into small balls, and place on ungreased cookie sheet. Bake in a hot oven — 425 degrees for about ten minutes. Dust on powdered sugar while still warm.

This type of party is no more trouble than the last one you gave, but it's lots more fun to work on, and your guests will remember it for years to come.

## DUAL GRADING STARTS FOR BEEF

Consumers may soon have an opportunity to buy beef of more consistent quality, with less waste fat under a new double method of beef grading to be tested by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service is making the new dual grading system available to the livestock and meat industry on a trial and optional basis. Food shoppers can soon expect to see two separate grade identifications on beef at the meat counters—one for quality and one for yield.

On dual graded meat the well-known quality grade stamp that has been in use for the past 35 years will continue to be shown along with the new yield grade stamp. However, both stamps will be imprinted in red, instead of purple as is the case with the single quality stamp used exclusively until now. Traditional beef grading by the old one stamp way also will remain available.

The new red stamp quality grade will continue to use the same grade names as the traditional purple stamp: Prime, Choice, Good, Standard, Commercial, Utility, Cutter, and Canner. The most commonly found grade at the meat counters is the widely popular Choice grade. Quality will still be based on marbling, color, texture, firmness and maturity of the bone. But the new stamp will not include an evaluation of conformation as does the old purple stamp.

Food shoppers are assured that as far as eating quality is concerned, the grade names and the grade mark will mean the same thing as always.

The new red stamp yield grade is based on six numerical yield grades, with No. 1 indicating the highest yield and No. 6 the lowest. The grades indicate to the livestock and meat industry how much of the carcass weight can be sold as trimmed retail cuts, thereby providing a measure of beef value. The grades are based on four factors that have proved

reliable indicators of yield: Thickness of fat over the rib eye, size of the rib eye muscle, amount of kidney and pelvic fat, and carcass weight.

The yield grades bear no relation to quality grades. No matter what the quality grade, all carcasses in, for example, Yield Grade No. 2 can be expected to yield the same percentage of their weight in trimmed retail cuts.

Dual grading is an outgrowth of the increasing consumer preference for high quality beef with most of the covering fat trimmed away. USDA foresaw almost a decade ago that the beef grading system should reflect this preference to the producer. Meat grading is a voluntary service for which the industry pays on a fee basis. It has received growing recognition through the years. More than half of our total beef production is now Federally graded, compared to only about 8 percent prior to World War II.

The Department has conducted research to develop techniques that would maintain high quality beef standards, but would more fully recognize the merits of the "meat-type" steer. The "meat-type" steer is a beef animal that eats just as much corn and other grain as other cattle, but converts more of it into red meat and less of it to the heavy coating of fat to be trimmed away by the retailer. The trimming is a marketing cost for which the food shopper also must pay.

As dual grading becomes widely used, the Agricultural Marketing Service expects it to result in decreased production of waste fat through better breeding and feeding practices. This should bring a saving in cost that would be shared between the cattle producer and the consumer.

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## Mercer

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after that fuss over a cent,' she spat. 'Go to the hotel and spend a nickel.' And she slammed the door in his face."

Mercer delighted in a good argument. He was a hard taskmaster and an exacting person to work for. One of his close friends once admonished him, "Henry, it is better to live pleasant than to be right." But Mercer had his winning side too. He could be extremely charming and thoughtful when he saw fit.

To those who opposed him, he was opinionated and resolute; to those who understood him and contributed to his work in even the smallest way, he was a warmly grateful man, from whom "kindly criticism was always constructive and inspired (me) to closer and deeper study."

His good friend Owen Wister, the novelist, told of Mercer's world-wide reputation. During Christmas 1929, the distinguished Scottish archeolo-

gist, David McKeever was discussing with Francis Newbold, the question of whether a certain museum piece was genuine.

"Why don't you ask Henry Mercer of Doylestown?" McKeever counseled Newbold. "He is not only a competent scholar, but quite the greatest potter in the last thousand years; I might say two thousand years. He is an extra-ordinary figure, a figure straight from the renaissance."

Less than three months later, Henry Mercer was dead. But unlike most of us, his life work lives on, in his research, his collections, his books and his tiles, and perhaps most of all in the display of versatility and genius that was his life.

If indeed there are ghosts in Doylestown, what ghost has a better right to wander here than that of Henry Chapman Mercer.

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## New Gallery Opens On Plaza in New Hope



*This photo shows the interior of the new Tyson Gallery on Playhouse Plaza in New Hope. The photo was taken the day before the gallery opened during the last minute rush to meet the opening deadline. (Panorama photo by Richard Kaplinski)*

### Dream Dish

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spoons flour, and stir over low heat until blended. Add 1-½ cups cold turkey broth, ½ cup cream, ½ teaspoon salt, ¼ teaspoon paprika, 1 teaspoon finely grated onion, and ½ teaspoon pepper. Cook, stirring constantly until thickened. Stir in 2 cups sliced or diced cooked turkey and 1 cup cooked diced potatoes. Pour into a 2-quart casserole or 6 individual baking dishes, put on a cookie sheet or piece of aluminum foil, and place in a 425 degree F. oven. Allow the pie filling to heat 10 minutes before adding a cornbread topping. For variety, substitute the 1 cup of potatoes with 1 cup cooked carrots, peas, onions, celery, or green beans. Or use a 1 cup mixture of any of these vegetables. Or omit the vegetables entirely, add an extra cup of turkey, and use a potato topping instead of a cornbread topping.

**CORNBREAD TOPPING** for a turkey pie . . . sift together ½ cup sifted flour, ½ teaspoon salt, 1-½ teaspoons baking powder and 2 teaspoons sugar. Stir in ½ cup cornmeal. Cut in two tablespoons shortening until the texture looks like coarse cornmeal. Combine 1 well beaten egg and ½ cup milk, add to the dry ingredients and stir until moistened. Pour the topping over the heated turkey pie filling, and continue baking until the topping is brown, 20 to 25 minutes.

**POTATO TOPPING** for a turkey pie . . . combine ½ cup well seasoned, warmed, mashed potatoes, 1 well beaten egg and ¼ teaspoon poultry seasoning. Spread the topping over the heated turkey pie filling. Brush it with 1 tablespoon melted butter and ½ teaspoon paprika. Continue baking the pie until the sauce is bubbly and the topping brown, about 30 minutes.

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July 1963

The summer season is now in full swing. The Playhouse and The Music Circus are packing them in each nite. The scenery is at it's most beautiful peak, now. Vacations take residents from Bucks to the shore and mountains, and folks from all parts of the country come and visit us. Many Bucks Countians are spending the summer visiting in and around the county, as there is so much to see.

As a resident of the area for nearly (not quite) 30 years, we finally achieved a life long ambition the other week. We visited Independence Hall and The Liberty Bell. I don't know why it is, but we humans will travel half way around the world to see interesting places, but somehow, never quite see the spots in our own backyard. We feel so guilty about it, we are even planning a visit to the Font Hill Castle on Court Street this summer. Who knows, we may even take a floor by floor tour of the new Courthouse one of these days.

P.S. The Liberty Bell is really cracked, just like the pictures, and Independence Hall and the new Mall are just beautiful. If you've been a backslider like us, perhaps you too will want to take that long planned trip "around the corner".

Someone reported a sign on Bristol Road, near Southampton reading "DANGER: Duck Crossing!"

Thanks to NELLIE HOLMES of the J. Carroll Molloy office for another "unusual" road name in Bucks County. We are "collecting" these unusual names. Nellie told us about "Tape Worm Road" near Chain Bridge. How about you? Have you seen any such "goodies" in your travels around the county?

We here in Bucks County are fortunate to have something that other towns and areas can only reminisce about. We are talking about the Band Concerts, sponsored again this year by The Doylestown Lions Club, and held at War Memorial Field in D-town. The concerts are scheduled for July 4, 11, 18, 25 and August 1 at 8 P.M. Just in case it might rain on any of those nites, the concerts will move inside, to the Central Bucks High School Auditorium. The well known Quakertown Band will appear at the lead-off concert on the fourth, and Walter Harvie will direct the CB "Summer Concert Band" on the other dates. This is one of the things that make life in Bucks County so worth while.

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**Doylestown Lions Club Presents**  
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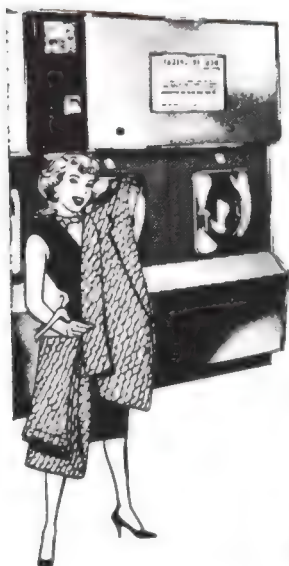
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## Around Town

The Greater Bucks County Fair is all set to go next month, with the dates being August 20 to 24 on the grounds adjacent to The Quakertown Farmers Market. Persons interested in entering exhibits in the fair should contact Howard Arnold in Silverdale for prize lists and entry blanks.

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jim . . . graduate

CONGRATULATIONS to JAMES J. McDEVITT of Doylestown and KENNETH WHITE of Southampton. These two gents just graduated from Lafayette College last month

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Delaware Valley College of Science and Agriculture will open an evening division this fall, offering courses in liberal arts and the sciences, which will carry college credits. The courses will be open to both male and female nonresident students. We will have complete information in Panorama next month on the program, or you may write the Registrar at the college for more information.

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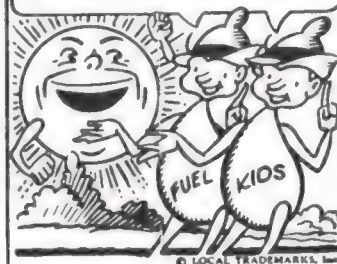
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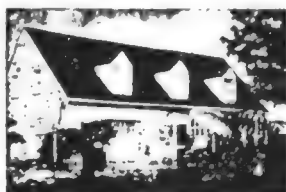
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## Around Town

J. DALE YODER of Quakertown has recently been appointed to the faculty at Delaware Valley College of Science and Agriculture at Doylestown.

DON'T FORGET the Greater Bucks County Fair, August 20 to 24, 1963, to be held on grounds adjacent to The Quakertown Farmers Market. It'll be a real "swinger."

Saw ELEANOR JOHNSON the other day, and she was telling us about the new offices of her employment service, located at 15 W. State St. in Doylestown. She has also opened a writer's agency, under the direction of ALVA HUDSON, designed to criticize and place manuscripts with publishers for writers. Good luck with the new venture.

This month, up at The Stover Mill, River Road, Erwinna, the art exhibition from July 7 through 21 is a Group Show, featuring selected works from the 1963 Tinicum Art Festival. Opening July 27 are the works of PAUL DARROW. Mr. Darrow's works will be on display July 27, 28, Aug. 3, 4 and 10 and 11.

Over at Doylestown County Country Club this month, the monthly dance will be a "Patio Party Dance" on July 27 with FRAN and BETTY MORGAN as host and hostess.

The Doylestown Lions Club will again sponsor the Summer Band Concerts at War Memorial Field, Doylestown. All concerts begin at 8 P.M. on the following dates: July 4, 11, 18, 25 and Aug. 1.

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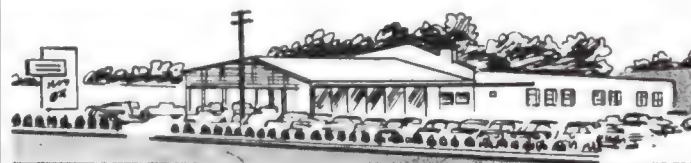
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A new shop "Creative Hands", opened recently at Peddler's Village near Lahaska. The word is that Peddler's Village is doing so much business, some of the New Hope shops are getting nervous.

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We get many interesting things in the mail, and usually anything unsigned goes in the trash basket. We are making one exception this time, as we found the following rather cute:

"I slip. I slide,  
I twist and turn  
as on my way I go —  
I skin my shin  
and stub my toe,  
and see great depths below.

I meet a man, we try to pass,  
but there is no such luck.  
He backs away, and so do I,  
We know we both are stuck.

And so it goes,  
from Church to Broad, to  
Pine

to Main and on,  
From dawn to dawn,  
we're in this plight,  
'til our State Street is done!"

The author of the above is Annon. and has expressed most of our feelings on State Street. They say they might even get it finished sometime.

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We welcome DAVID R. HOUCK of RCA and Retail Credit Corporation who have taken the last two available offices in "The Panorama Building".

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Thanks to ROY KULP for bringing us a copy of our good friend ALBERT BUFINGTON'S new book, "The Reichard Collection of Early Pennsylvania German Dialogues and Plays". Dr. Bufington is Professor of German at Pennsylvania State University, and a member of the board of directors of The Pennsylvania German Society. The new volume has been published as the Pennsylvania German Society's 61st volume on the history of the Pa. Germans.

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## Around Town

A note from the Quakertown Free Press tells of problems of an Upper Bucks County Church. The pastor of the church finds that women are wearing too much lipstick. It seems that the pastor is having a hard time cleaning lipstick from the chalice used in the Communion service, and has pleaded with church members to not wear so much lipstick when taking Communion.

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The 28 associated clubs in The Bucks County Federation of Women's Clubs have donated \$211,636.00 during the past year to community and educational projects according to Mrs. THOMAS J. ZWIERLEIN, President of the Federation.

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We are indebted to ELIAS H. BORDEN of Ivyland, who very kindly sent us a complete list of bird sightings in Bucks County for this year. It would take several pages to list them all, as Mr. Borden's listing is so complete. We never realized that so many different kinds of birds could be seen here in the county.

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Congratulations to insurance man (and Panorama model) DICK BACH and his lovely wife MIMI on the birth of their third son!

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KEN FOSTER, home on leave from the air force recently, as was BRUCE ERCLENA. Ken goes back to Mississippi, and Bruce, fresh from 18 months in Turkey, goes to San Francisco.

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Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. JIM SWARTZ (Mary Barnell) of Doylestown, on their Memorial Day wedding.

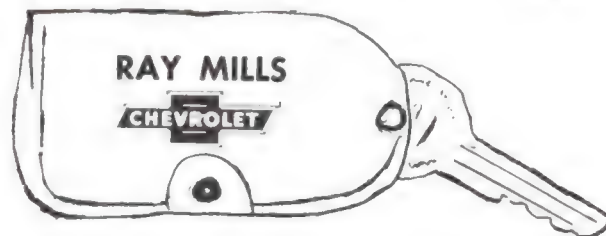
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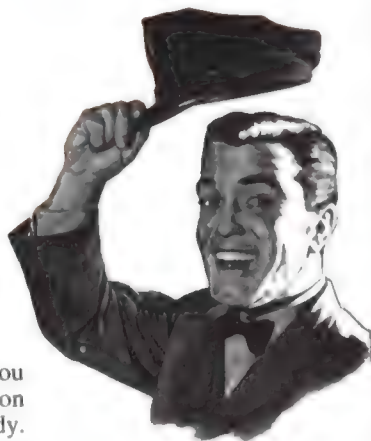
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## Around Town

INTERESTING NOTE—Doylestown has a good business going with parking meters. A recent report to Borough Council showed that parking meter fines were about one fourth the total take on the meters.

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Jewel . . . modeling

Our favorite model JEWEL RENNER, of Perkasio, who may be seen in fashion advertisements for The Vogue Shoppe, was recently featured in the Philadelphia Inquirer. Hate to mention this, fellas, but she's married. (Lucky man, indeed!)

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Doylestown's M A R I E WELSH celebrated 25 years with the Doylestown Federal Savings and Loan Association. Our favorite "lady banker" was honored on the occasion with a small party given by her close friends and associates.

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DID YOU HEAR, our National Guard (Co. C, 111th Infantry, PNG) while summer training at Camp A. P. Hill in Virginia was the top company in the 1st Battalion, which in turn was tops in the 28th Division. Our boys did themselves real proud. Thanks to "cook" DALE CARR for this bit of information. Do you suppose it was Dale's cooking that inspired the troops?

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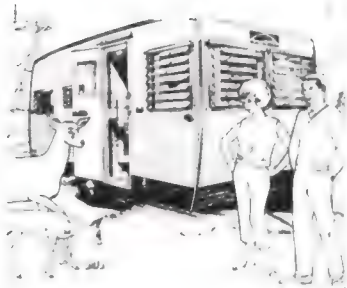
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While visiting in New Hope recently, we ran into ALLEN WARD, former editor - publisher of the Gazette, who took us to the new Tyson Gallery on Playhouse Plaza, between Tom Reddy's Inn and The Bucks County Playhouse. The Gallery, run by JIM TYSON, offers works by local artists. (See photo elsewhere in Panorama.) Jim plans to take the show "on tour" to different cities, much the same way he did when he booked name dance bands a few years ago. His first "plunge" into the art field locally, was the highly successful "Art for Christmas" show at The Parry Barn in New Hope last fall. If you get a chance, we think you'd enjoy a visit to the Tyson Gallery.  
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While we are on the subject of New Hope, TOM REDDY's Playhouse Inn is the locale for a weekly radio show over WTTM, Trenton. Carversville's PENNY LARSEN and RON POLAO will broadcast celebrity interviews every Wednesday at 12:15. WTTM is 920 on the dial.  
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GENE CONSTANTINE has been placed in charge of the new Regional Distribution Post Office next to The Shopping Center in Doylestown.  
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We feel we should mention here the great job the VFW and HARRY McCANN are doing in placing flags around Doylestown. Nearly every store, office and place of business has a flag flying on holidays thanks to the efforts of Harry and the rest of the "Vets." A more patriotic town is hard to find.  
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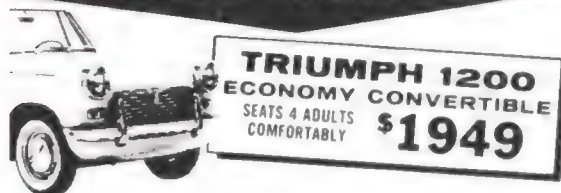
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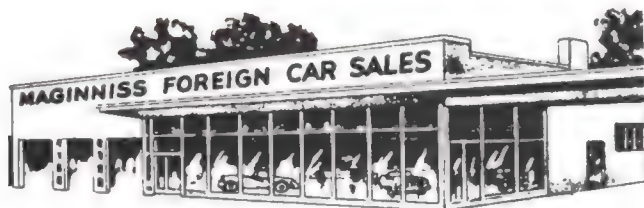


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## Around Town

The Jazz Concert held last month at The GOBBLER'S up in Point Pleasant featuring BILL FRABIZZIO and his big band was well attended by jazz buffs and fans of the Frabizzio style. We feel JOE BUTERA, owner of The Gobbler's, deserves a lot of credit for presenting these concerts and bringing good Big Band Jazz to the county. The Gobbler's features traditional Dixieland Jazz music every Friday and Saturday nites all year around.

The annual art exhibition of the Phillips Mill Community Association has been scheduled to run from September 28 through October 27.

PANORAMA gets around. Time magazine has just launched a new publication in Italy entitled "Panorama." We were recently sent a copy of "South African Panorama" from that country. Locally, WFIL has recently begun a news program entitled "Panorama" and another Philadelphia station has a "Panoramic extended forecast." Of course, Bucks County has "us," and we're now in our fifth year.

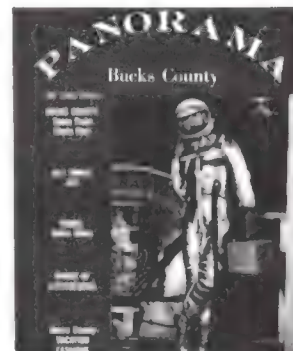
Recently someone asked us if we were still interested in old pictures of Bucks County. We certainly are, and are eager to borrow them for use in the magazine. Look around in your attic to see what you can find that you would like to share with our readers. All photos will be returned. We also are interested in hearing of interesting stories around Bucks County and good photos of Bucks County today. It takes a heap of interested people sending us information to keep Panorama going.

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. ROGER BLATZ (Betty Chew) on their recent marriage.

JOE BUTERA of The Gobblers, Point Pleasant, was recently elected president of the Tohickon Lions Club.

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(Photo courtesy Don Warner)

## Sports Memory

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business.

"Deacon" Hodgins, one of the very clever members of the team — although not the least rough member — dropped in eight double-deckers during his 40 minutes of play.

And it was "Cootie" Stultz, who passed along ART DOPE'S news story to me, who registered 15 field goals from all angles of the high Armory floor. To help pile up the official count, Stultz converted 9 out of 16 from the foul-marker for a total of 39 points, a record at that time for a Doylestown player. The total score of 83 remains a record for the Armory floor for a high school team in one game.

The referee was the late Harry Barfoot, of Abington. The game was played in 20-minute halves.

In a second-team game that same night, 41 years ago, the reserves toyed with a pickup team in a preliminary tilt, running up a score of 28 to 7 for D-Town. "Bill" Hellyer and Dan Tomlinson were high scores from the floor. Harry Bigley, now Bell Telephone district manager; Luther Nash, Doylestown builder and Atlee Tomlinson also scored for the Doylestown second team. The pickup team was composed of Fred Hodgins, Houck, Jacobs, Wilgus and Darlington.

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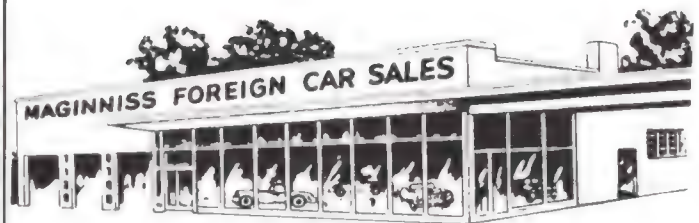
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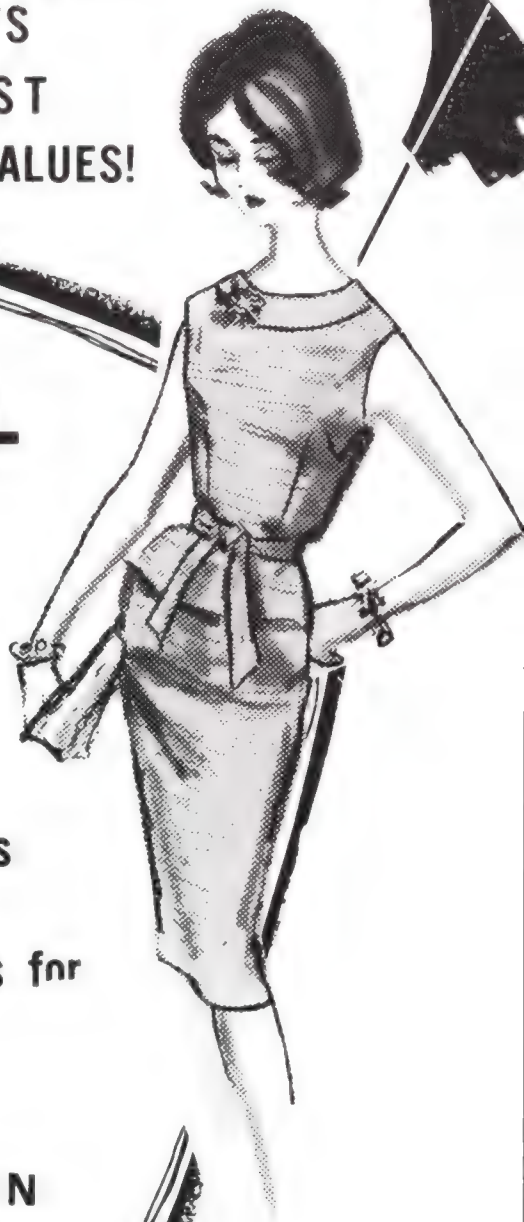
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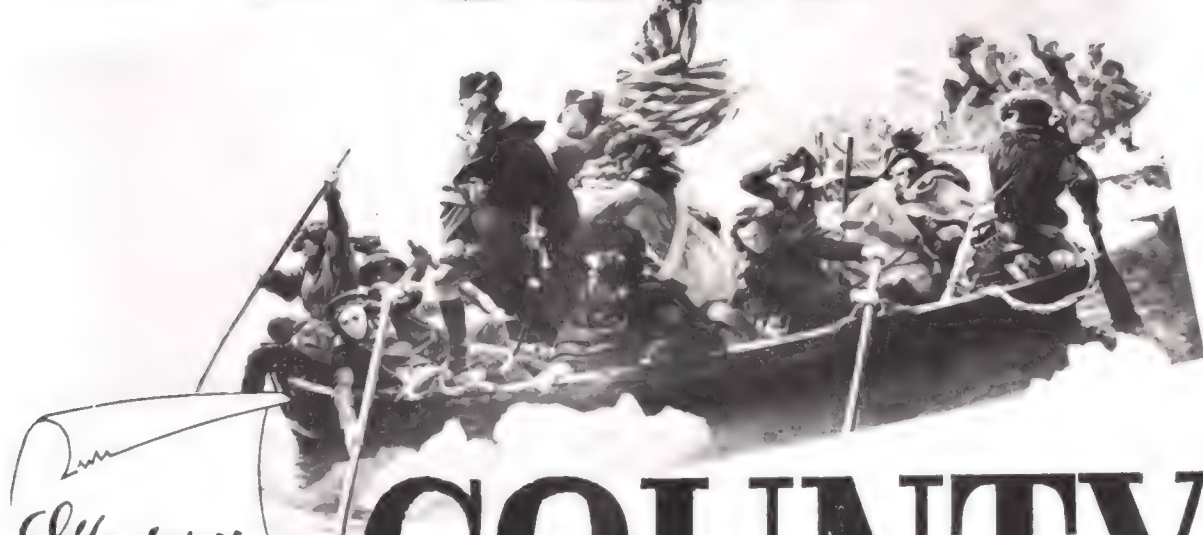
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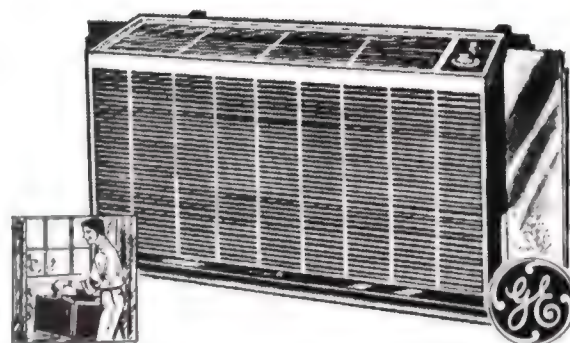
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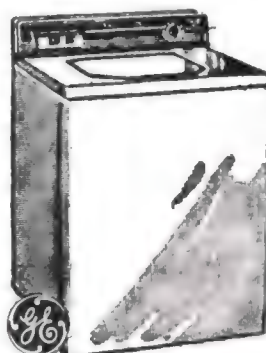
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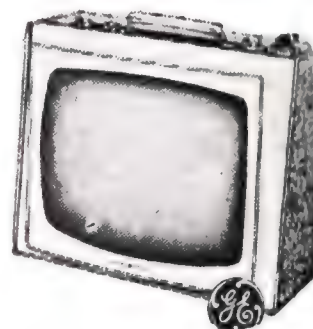
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I hope that the men and women who stopped during the past week to comment on the Experimental Planting on West Court Street are readers of this magazine, for I would like to thank them again for their encouraging remarks.

It was surprising, however, how few of these friendly people knew the story behind the Experiments. Some thought my co-worker and I lived in the block and that we were watering, de-budding and cultivating the flowers, shrubs and trees just for the love-of-the-thing; others thought we were paid workers, while others were puzzled and said so. But they all thought the planting was attractive and they were all interested in the story behind the Experiment, which goes like this — The idea for the planting was the brain child of Doylestown Nature Club. The flowers, Shrubs (and their handsome containers), and the trees on the properties, are the gifts of the property owners themselves.

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I should think the property

owners would be agreeably surprised and pleased to hear these compliments. Why don't you stop by soon and let them know how much you have enjoyed their generous contribution to our town?

Sincerely,  
A Doylestown Nature  
Club Volunteer  
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Dear Mr. Alliger:

My daughter, who now resides in Doylestown, has brought me a copy of your June issue in which is shown on page 14 under "Our Family Album" a copy of a photograph which is captioned as the 1908 graduating class of the Doylestown High School.

Having an interest in the important, I am moved to correct that caption because I have one of these photographs and was in it when it was taken during the spring of 1907. It is that year's graduating class of the Doylestown Grammar School. The excellent teacher was indeed Miss Pearl Leatherman who at that date had not taught in the High School.

I remember distinctly being a freshman in the fall of 1907 because I was in the high school class of 1910 although the privilege of graduating was not to be mine. In those days the High School was a three year course and the total faculty was Mr. Carman Ross, Principal, and Miss Claire MacDougal, Ass't Principal, both unforgettably excellent teachers. We

were exposed to three years of Latin, thorough Algebra and Geometry, Greek, Civics, a touch of Physics, and English composition including a thorough study of at least two of the plays of Shakespeare — to this day I will quote many passages from the Merchant of Venice and Julius Caesar if not stopped. All of those subjects were taught by only those two but somehow we survived to praise them.

Before closing may I recall to the hundreds of her surviving pupils the name of Miss Julia VanHorn who charmed the grammar school grade immediately below that of Miss Pearl Leatherman. It is more than mere sentiment that prompts one to remember her as one of the best teachers imaginable.

Thank you for recalling a pleasant Doylestown childhood.

—Eugene Garges  
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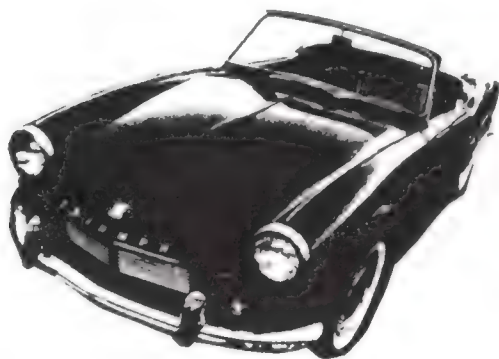
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## Rambling with Russ

by  
A. Russell Thomas

**A COURTHOUSE RAMBLE:** The divorce business was lucrative during the first six months of this year in Bucks County. Deputy Prothonotary Bill Carlin reports that 150 new cases were started and 150 divorces were granted. Although it is more or less a trade secret, it costs approximately \$500 to secure a divorce, including court costs and attorney's fees. This means that an estimated \$150,000 will have been spent on divorces by the 300 couples before decrees are final. And it will cost you just as much for a divorce, if you lose the case. It's hard to believe, but your marriage license costs but \$3.00 when you start out and for 50 cents additional you get a consent which is needed for those under 21 years of age.

**BOB DILWORTH**, passport chief in the Prothonotary's office, informs this Rambler that 300 passports to foreign countries were issued by his department during the first six months of 1963. Most passports were for trips to Western European countries, with England leading.

**THE NEW** Bucks County Police Radio Headquarters on the seventh floor of the Administration Building is one of the finest set-ups of its kind in the country. The bureau chief is George Paul, a former Middletown Township policeman. "Bud" McCollum, of Wrightstown, holds the very important job of communications officer. There are five dispatchers including two retired Pennsylvania State Troopers, Jim Harris and Mike Aulenbach; Bill (Sergeant) Kruse, a former special deputy sheriff attached to Sheriff Harold Dando's office; Cal Smith, of Wycombe, and Johnny Weise, another ex-policeman. Bureau Chief Paul will welcome visitors at any time.

**MAYBE YOU** don't know it but Barrister William Murphy Power, a very familiar face in our county court rooms, and Doylestown physician, Dr. Clifford Laudenslager, were classmates at Ursinus College some years ago. When you get the opportunity, ask Attorney Bill how he and the good doctor were engaged in the barber business at Ursinus, a pastime that made it easier for this duo to finance the usual corsages for their lady friends come the annual prom.

**SPECIAL DEPUTY** Sheriff Charlie O'Brien's attractive Langhorne Manor home is filled with some very fine and unusual antiques. . . . He recently became the owner of a set of chairs used by Bristol Borough's original Council members. . . . jovial Howard Gilbert of Perkasic, is "going fishing" after January 1 when he retires from County service. . . . A grand fellow, Howard once served as Recorder of Deeds of Bucks county and after his term expired, he organized the county's photostat department which he has operated ever since. . . . "I'll have no trouble taking it easy", Howard told this reporter.

**THE COUNTY** detective's office was one officer short in July due to the resignation of Frank Jacobs, 43, who has more lucrative employment, in a job that is non-political. . . . There once was a Philadelphia pugilist who fought under the name of Tommy Forte, and he is the same John F. Forte, of Bensalem Township, who was recently appointed a deputy in Sheriff Dando's office, to fill a vacancy.

**STRICTLY PERSONAL:** Walter Conti, wife Pat, and their youngsters, Joey and Mikey (Conti's Cross Keys Inn), are

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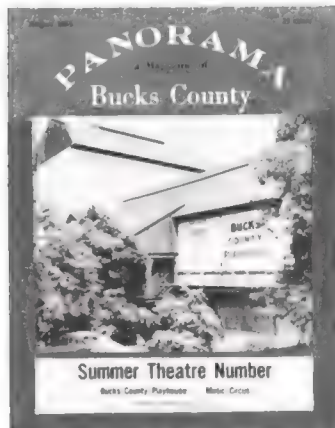
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## OUR COVER

In keeping with our general theme this month of Summer Theatre, we selected this photo of The Bucks County Playhouse at New Hope for our cover. As the "State Theatre of Pennsylvania", Mike Ellis' Playhouse has been the springboard to fame for many of today's top theatre personalities, and many Broadway shows. (Panorama Photo by Kaplinski)

If you could kick the person responsible for most of your troubles, you wouldn't be able to sit down for six months.

## THIS ISSUE

Have you ever wondered what goes on "behind the scenes" in the theatre? How actors can play one part this week and at the same time memorize lines for the next weeks show? How dancers can learn all the steps required for as many as 10 or 12 shows in a period of a few weeks. How much rehearsal time is required to put on a show, and what goes on at rehearsals. We were, and, after many weeks of work, we have tried in this issue to give Panorama readers a picture of what actually goes into producing a show.

We are fortunate here in Bucks County to have two fine theatres in our back yard. The Bucks County Playhouse at New Hope which has been designated The State Theatre of Pennsylvania by an act of the State Legislature, and The Music Circus just over the river in New Jersey. We visited both, and watched rehearsals of "South Pacific" at The Circus, and James Daley's new show at the Playhouse. Panorama photographer Richard Kaplinski spent many hours on the scene to capture the "feeling" on film. Our efforts may be seen on the following pages of this month's Panorama. Your comments are invited on this "Special Theatre Issue."

We wish to thank Mike Ellis of the Playhouse and Tom Trinkle over at the Music Circus, plus the cast, directors, stage hands, and everyone connected with both theatres for their fine co-operation. — RJA

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by Bob Brugger

Bob Brugger is on vacation. In his absence, we repeat one of his columns from a past issue of Panorama. On TV they have re-runs, so why not "The Best of Brugger" in Panorama. (Believe me, it's hard to get the best of Brugger! — Ed)

We know a Madison Avenue man who recently moved out of the County back to his native New York. Time was when this sort of thing could have started a real estate panic; now it's just called the **Bucks County Five Year Plan** . . . that being the average time it takes for the less hearty of the city breed to be finally defeated by pot-holes, crab-grass, week-end house guest and commuting.

Another friend, who does the five-day-a-week trick. Bucks to Wall Street, conservatively figures that he's lost a full two years out of his life, coming and going. It seems a precious price to pay for the privilege of coming home to 180 acres, tennis courts, horses, a private pool and a house full of kids screaming to be taken to the Saturday matinee in Doylestown because "there ain't nuttin to do around here".

In a lifetime of dedicated provincialism, I have tried to analyze why they come . . . and why they go. There were rumors of war when the first station wagon appeared on the Bucks horizon out of New York. The Holland Tunnel led down through the catacombs of Jersey to the most beautiful air raid shelter in the East: Bucks County, U. S. A. That was one reason they came . . . back in the "Thirties. And if that was pre-war, it was pre-tax assessor, too, and a farmer's "north forty" could be bought for a song, or even less than a song, if the new gentleman farmer, as he very often did, happened to work Tin Pan Alley.

No one really remembers what happened in the County during the war years, except the megalomaniacs who worked on the rationing boards. (Fortunately, for civilization, their moment of truth came with the truce.) But suddenly, the war was over and Bucks County awakened to find that Hinnerschultz no longer lived up on the old Hinnerschultz place! Hinnerschultz had sold out and gone to work for the steel, and a County had quietly become populated with people who weren't then . . . and never had been . . . named Moyer. (I remember a New York lad who joined our class at Pipersville. His given-name, of all things, was Stirling. This being neither Old nor New Testament, and consequently no name at all, we just referred to him as him.)

The post-war exodus, Bloomingdale's to Blooming Glen, started with the lifting of gas rationing. Bucks County farmers, New Yorkers once removed, were besieged overnight (and over week-end, too) by the very New York friends they had come to the County to get away from in the first place. (In this matter, at least, the war seemed to have been an excuse. As it turns out, the problem of stockpiling had more to do with VO bottles than V2 bombs.)

Once the week-enders found that their country friends' Bucks County kitchens were completely authenticated period pieces, rooms to walk through on a Saturday night on the way out to dinner at local inns (where they, the week-enders, invariably picked up the tab), they started scrounging for themselves. This brought on the second crop of city folk. By 1950, New Yorkers were passing New Yorkers on the Lambertville bridge, each shouting in opposite directions: GO BACK!

The cycle continues. They come; they go. The disen-

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# THIS IS BUCKS COUNTY!



*A familiar scene to all who have ever been to New Hope. Located opposite The Logan Inn, the cannon has been the subject of many jokes, as the cannon balls are nearly twice the size of the cannon mouth. (Panorama Photo by Kaplinski)*



# Backstage At The **MUSIC CIRCUS**



Panorama's photographer Richard Kaplinski visited the Music Circus for many of the rehearsals for the show "South Pacific." His candid camera caught the cast members at various stages of rehearsal in unguarded moments. This is how a show such as South Pacific is staged. (Ed. Note — these photos do not show the sweat, blood and tears that also go into a show, but that is forgotten when the lights dim and the show goes on.)



Pictured here is part of the company at the Music Circus, the familiar tent and out-buildings. (Photo by Baily)

On June 2, 1949 a new idea in theatre was developed and presented for the first time just over the New Hope-Lambertville bridge on "Music Mountain" by actor-impresario St. John Terrell.

The "Music Circus" opened a whole new world of entertainment for thousands of persons, and the tent theatre idea has since spread to many other cities all over the country.

St. John (Sinjin) Terrell came to Bucks County many years ago to convince the town fathers of New Hope that their colorful grist mill on the Delaware would make a fine summer theatre. He was successful in this venture and the Bucks County Playhouse was born. He remained there as producer for its first season.

Most people know "Sinjin" as the fellow in the loud sports coat who comes on stage before each performance at The Music

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The Seabees and nurses watch Betty Jane Watson as Nellie, gets ready to "Wash That Man Right Out of Her Hair."



These girls, as most cast members, believe in comfort during rehearsals.





Above, Betty Jane Watson as Nellie Forbush in a dance number. Below, costume supervisor Charles Blackburn takes time out for a puzzle.



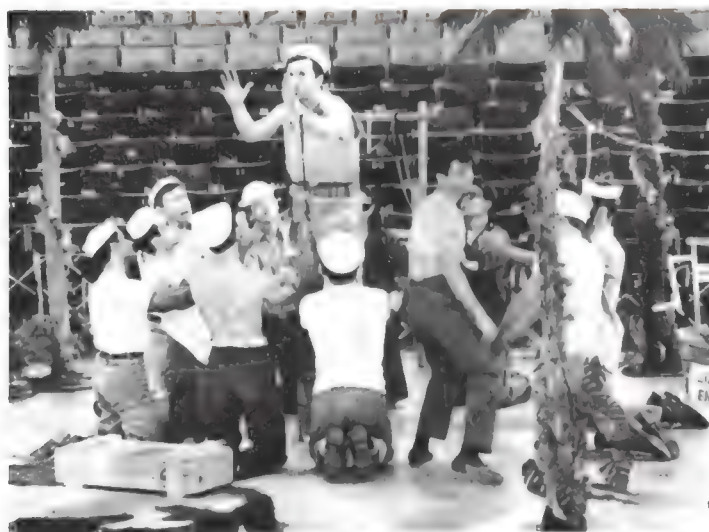
Jay Gregory adjusts Bruce Kirby's grass skirt, while director Bob Turoff adjusts position of the actors. Delores Martin as "Bloody Mary" is seen in background.



Mary Jay (above), as one of the nurses, trots across the arena, while the Seabees goggle. (Below) Hopeful to be an actress one day, Nancy Butler learns the trade as script-girl, coaching lines.







Delores Martin, Gene Hollman and Mary Jay (above), discuss one of the scenes. (Above, left) Bruce Kirby and the men's chorus sing out "There's Nothing Like a Dame." (Left) Bruce Kirby confers with Director Bob Turoff while Betty Jane Watson and Neil Jones look on. (Lower left) When Director Turoff calls for a break, Connie Blake, Danny Keys, and Deborah Diemand (Holicong, Pa.) take the opportunity to catch a little sun. Bruce Kirby (below) rehearses a scene with Betty Jane Watson, while choreographer Edward Earle looks on.







Carlyn Muchmore and Julie Anderson watch (above) as Bruce Kirby confers with Mike Valenti. The girls chorus (above, right) dance and sing, while Betty Jane Watson "washes that man out of her hair." Choreographer Edward Earle has a short conference (at right) with Denny Shearer, Richard McDonald and director Bob Turoff. The dancers (lower right) go over one of the dances, Dorothy Lister, Betty Jane Watson, Connie Blake and Carlyn Muchmore. (Below), Dancer Denny Shearer is attempting a difficult step with Mary Jay.





*Marlyn McCormick, a Playhouse apprentice, puts a final touch on her make-up before going on stage.*

## *Panorama goes visiting behind the scenes at the*

*James Daly (as priest) rehearses a scene with his daughter Glynn Daly. Both of Mr. Daly's daughters appeared in the play. At right, Fran Brill and prop man Bob Vandegrift go over placement of props on stage.*







*James Daly and playhouse producer Mike Ellis confer on the play, while below apprentice Fran Brill pauses from her script study to dream a little.*

# BUCKS COUNTY PLAYHOUSE

We sent Panorama photographer Richard Kaplinski over to the Bucks County Playhouse to film a rehearsal to see how it differed from the Music Circus and he brought back this photo story. The play featured at that time was "Jenny Kissed Me" starring James Daly. The show appeared on Broadway several seasons back and was written by Jean Kerr, wife of drama critic Walter Kerr.

In this series of photos, we attempt to show some of the varied chores the apprentices and young actors must do. All were eager for acting careers, and if hard work is any key to success, this fine group will someday reach it.

We wish to thank Mike Ellis, John Crowley and the rest of their fine staff at the Playhouse for helping us present this story in pictures. — RJA





*Scenery is an important part of any play and must be made at the theatre. At left, apprentice Marilyn McCormick paints, while (above) apprentices Bob Glaesman, Alan Hazlett and Charles Jones finish a backdrop.*

*It's not all work and no play, for when the director calls for a break, everyone relaxes. The apprentice below catches 40 winks while teenagers Rick Lenz and Tyne Daly find much to talk over. Rick and Tyne had leading parts in the show.*





One man holds the distinction of having one of the most difficult jobs and one of the most spectacular views in all of Bucks County. That man is Edward G. Biester, Sr., President-Judge of the Bucks County Courts. From his fifth floor office in the new courthouse, Judge Biester can survey literally miles of rolling Bucks County countryside north of Doylestown.

It is most appropriate that the senior judge in the county should be able to observe so vast an area from behind a giant plate glass window. It might be considered symbolic of his job as the leading member of the local judiciary, a job which demands a remoteness from the political give-and-take that is usually involved in holding an elective office. It is also a job which demands tremendous insight and understanding of all problems which come before the court.

The story of Judge Edward G. Biester might easily have been the story of Edward Biester, banker, for accounting was his initial career choice. A graduate of Northeast High School in Philadelphia in 1921, young Biester attended the Wharton School of Finance at the University of Pennsylvania. He earned his Bachelor's degree in three and a half years, and in 1924 accepted a position with a Philadelphia bank. Accounting, however, did not satisfy him as much as he had hoped.

Law had long been a subject for discussion in the home of Edward and Anna Ditter Biester. Two of the younger man's uncles were lawyers and often discussed its theory, practice and intricacies with their nephew. After a year and a half in his bank position, he enrolled as a student in the Temple University Law School.

This was not an easy change for the young accountant, however, for it was still necessary for him to continue his full time employment at the bank. After four years of studying law at night, Biester was graduated in 1929.

In January of that same year, Edward Biester married Muriel M. Worthington of Somerton. He practiced law in Philadelphia for a short period, but was not entirely satisfied with the urban practice.

Since he and Mrs. Biester were living in Trevoise at the time, he applied and was made a member of the Bucks County Bar in 1930. "My uncle, J. William Ditter, was a lawyer and Congressman from Montgomery county," he explained recently. "He knew of an opening in the County. Judge Calvin S. Boyer had recently taken his place on the bench, and the law firm headed by Mr. Vantarsdalen was looking for someone to take Boyer's place. I liked the area and was delighted to take the job."

In 1932 Biester became associated with the county prosecutor's office when he was appointed Assistant District Attorney by former District Attorney Arthur M. Eastburn. He filled the vacancy left by the resignation of J. Leslie Kilcoyne of Bristol.

Biester ran for District Attorney in 1938 and was elected by a large majority. He is a past president of the Pennsylvania District Attorney's Association, and was active in both civil and criminal practice.

On August 16, 1949, Governor James H. Duff appointed Edward G. Biester, a Law Judge of Common Pleas of Bucks County, 7th Judicial District. He was the unanimous choice of all members of the Bucks County Bar, both Republican and Democrat, and

the choice of the Executive Committee of the Bucks County Republican Committee.

The 46 year old Biester again replaced retiring Judge Calvin Boyer who had resigned because of ill health. He was Bucks County's twentieth Judge since 1791. He was appointed to serve Boyer's unexpired term which ended in January 1952. At that time he ran for his own seat unopposed and was re-elected.

Biester is a member of the Masons, the Elks and several professional organizations. He is a past president of the Kiwanis, an office which his son, Edward Jr., also a lawyer and an Assistant District Attorney, now holds. Judge and Mrs. Biester have two other children, Ann B. Kleinsasser and John L. Biester, and seven grandchildren.

Judge Biester, as senior member of the County Bench, must be the embodiment of all those qualities which implement the workings of justice. He must work constantly to maintain an innate sense of fairness. To do this, he must walk the tightrope between judicial ethics and Pennsylvania law.

Judges in Pennsylvania must, by law, be elected on a partisan ticket. If their party requires it, or if they are opposed in the election, they must participate in an extensive political campaign, subject to the usual political pressures.

To conform with the code of ethics of the judiciary however, the judge must refrain from taking an active role in politics and maintain an independent control of the courts. Considering the Pennsylvania law, the two roles seem almost irreconcilable.

"We have been most fortunate here in Bucks County, however," explained Judge Biester, "in that none of the pres-

ent Judges have been opposed in an election. This means that we have had the support of both parties and were allowed to run on our own judicial records. This is, after all, a fair measure of a man's ability."

"I always hesitate to comment on any question which has political overtones," continued the President-Judge, "simply because I feel it is my responsibility to stay out of controversies. In order to form fair judicial opinions, I can't have any preconceived ideas or pressures influencing me."

As President-Judge of the Bucks County Court, Judge Biester handles many of the administrative details for the Judiciary. He is careful to point out that this position is arrived at by seniority.

Alternating with Judges Satterthwaite, Fullam and Monroe, he may hear Civil, Criminal, Argument or Equity Courts, or sit before the Grand Jury. He may be assigned as Motion Judge for the month, which means that all papers presented for signature of the Judges will pass through his hands.

The month prior to his service as Motion Judge, he will be assigned to the Juvenile Court. "Most people are not aware," Judge Biester pointed out, "that the function of Juvenile Court is rehabilitative rather than punitive. This requires thorough investigation and careful study."

Extensive out-of-court work by the judges is necessary for each type of court action. In Argument Court, for example, as many as 20 cases may be presented for opinions. The Judge must be thoroughly familiar with the court proceedings. These can run as high as several hundred or a thousand pages. He must ascertain the

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# Bucks County Justice...

## With A View

by

Chris Carr

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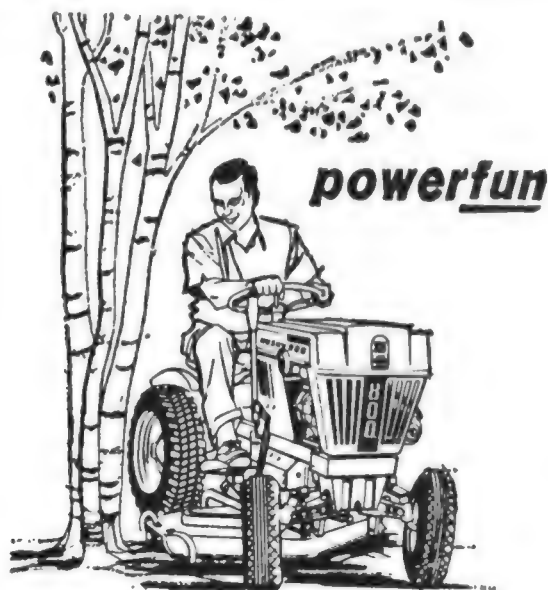
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scheduled to return to the United States August 8 aboard one of the Italian luxury liners after vacationing three weeks in Italy, where they visited the children's great grandmother . . . In Milan, the Conti's met other Doylestownians, including the Robert Bitzers, the Stanley Greens and the H. C. Babb Jr. family, all of whom jetted over and back.

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**VACATION GOSSIP:** Looks as though the Doylestown Hospital will be \$1,500 or more richer as a result of the July horse show sponsored by Barn Boss Bill Lee's Union Horse Company . . . Greeted "Bud" Griffith, former Furlong and Doylestown maennerchor baseball player in the old Community League, during his recent trip to D-Town from his present home in Florida . . . "Bud" was a classy ball player in his younger days and could have made faster company easily . . . "Bud" is now umpiring in a Florida league and is keeping in touch with affairs in these parts by reading PANORAMA . . . Mrs. Walter J. Gorman, 247 Spruce street, Doylestown, jetted out and back to Seattle where she visited her son who is a state forester.

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**THERE WERE** too many business places in Doylestown that did not display the American Flag on July 4th, including one bank . . . Suggest that non-flag owners see Harry McCann at the D-Town postoffice and learn how to become more patriotic by investing in a flag . . . Anyone who thinks they can out-mow Doylestown's 81-year-old Tommy Drennan when it comes to lawn care, or out-shuffle him in shuffleboard, just try it.

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**HEARTY CONGRATULATIONS** to W. Buzby Taylor and Harry A. Bigley, two Doylestown area Rotarians who have completed 35 years with Bell Telephone Company's business offices . . . By the way, Allen Bigley, son of the Harry Bigleys, returns to Baltimore in September as a senior at Johns Hopkins University . . . Doylestown bank president Elmer C. Cates keeps tradition up to date with his stiff straw summer headgear, which is very becoming . . . The annual corn picnic of the Doylestown Maennerchor is set for Sunday, September 8th . . . Next July 28th will be the occasion of the 25th birthday of the Bucks County playhouse at New Hope . . . Congratulations to an old friend of ours, Dr. Althea K. Hottel, a native of Lansdale, a member of the board of trustees of the University of Pennsylvania, who was recently elected chairman of Philadelphia's Commission on higher Education, succeeding Dr. Millard E. Gladfelter, president of Temple University.

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**MEMBERS OF** the Philadelphia Sports Writers Association and their wives were entertained at cocktails and dinner at the attractive Rydal home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Scott recently . . . Joe Scott is senior head of the well known beer distributing firm of Scott and Grauer . . . Reminiscing with some members of the PSWA at the Scott party this Rambler learned that he is the second oldest active member of the Philadelphia association, being outranked only by Ed Pollock, retired sports editor of the EVENING BULLETIN, with veteran Bill Duncan of the CAMDEN COURIER a close runner-up . . . The SCOTT HOSPITALITY was tops in every way.

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**A WAY OF LIFE:** What shall we tell our non-Masonic friends when they ask questions about Freemasonry, a friend of mine asked recently. The answer is, Freemasonry is kindness in the home, honesty in business, courtesy in society, fairness in work, pity and concern for the unfortunate, resistance toward the wicked, help for the weak, trust in the strong, forgiveness for the penitent, love for one another and, above all, reverence and love for God.

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# Readings From An Old Diary

by C. Norman Detweiler

In these days of TV, radio, movies and other forms of pastime and entertainment, did you ever stop to think what folks did a century ago to wile away the evening hours before bedtime?

A diary started in September of 1866 by a leading Quakertonian, J. Levi Heacock, a Notary Public and twice Chief Burgess, contains some unique and interesting entries that might baffle and confound some of the younger generation today, and be a source of humor to the older folks.

On September 27, 1866, Mr. Heacock made his first entry. It read: "An accident happened on the North Penn Railroad at Iron Hill, where one was killed and several hurt. It is reported that the cause of the accident was on account of a cow running across the road."

Heacock failed to make notations every night before retiring, and on the 29th the following was penned: "This day was a grand jubilee of the Republican party. About 1500 people came up from Doylestown on the train, and a great number in carriages. Had excellent speeches by W. H. Burleigh, of New York; Hutchinson, of Pennsylvania; Dittman, of Philadelphia; Lear, of Doylestown. In the evening Wagner and Taylor spoke — about 1500 Invincibles and others came from Philadelphia and had one of the grandest torchlight processions that ever was made in the upper end of Bucks County. Everything passed off very nicely."

Politics was percolatin' in those days, and on the 30th Mr. Heacock wrote: "Lewis Ball and myself attended a Democratic meeting in Trumbowersville where Montgom-

ery Blair, Nathan James, Col. Davis and Dr. Reading spoke. The meeting was about 1/2 as large as our meeting on the previous day."

What happened the next nine days no one will ever know, but on October 10 Levi, a staunch Republican, made this entry: "Some cloudy. One of the largest Democratic meetings that was ever held in this vicinity of Quakertown came off today. There were, it was said, 345 horsemen and 65 wagons, and 37 riders represented the States by wearing white pants and red shirts."

October 13 — "Clear. The great day of the election. By the telegraphic news the State went Republican. The majority on the ticket 30, Taylor 42, Gery 55 in our borough, and in all 204 votes were polled."

November 3 — "Election came off for President of the U. States. Borough of Quaker-

town gave 48 majority for Grant. I went to the station and spent some time to hear the telegraphic news."

November 8—"They put up the new bell in the church (St. John's).

November 27—"Evening I attended Lyceum. William Jackson, S. J. Levick, Amos Jackson and John Moore spoke. Lizzie Blakey read an essay. Ed. Johnson and James Hulz declaimed. Sallie Lester read a selection."

November 28 — "A snake show came off in Smith's hall. Jacob Funk had 43 black-snakes in cages which he caught up at Rocky Valley while they were in a dormant state."

December 4—"Commenced snowing in the evening. I attended Lyceum. Aaron Hibberd made remarks, paper read, etc."

December 11 — "Attended Lyceum. Pretty large attendance. The question for debate was "Should Women Vote?"

December 18—"In the evening attended Lyceum. Dr. Thomas delivered lecture on The Production of Sound in Animals."

December 25 — "Attended concert given by St. John's Sunday School."

January 1, 1867 — "Hailed all day. Went to Lyceum in the evening and read my essay, a discussion on the question whether civilization has been a benefit to the Indians or has it not?"

January 8 — "Evening attended Lyceum and had an interesting discussion on the subject of pouring water through a funnel."

January 22 — "Attended Lyceum. The question for discussion was whether an educational qualification should determine the right of suffrage."

January 28 — "Attended protracted meeting held by the Methodists in St. John's church."

January 29—"Lyceum met in Fell and Marple's school room and had a lecture on 'His Excellency and His Accidency' by C. J. Weiser, of Pennsylvania, which was sound in every sense of the word."

February 12 — "Attended Lyceum and delivered speech on the subject 'Has the Career of Napoleon Been a Benefit to Mankind?'"

March 4 — "Got my hair cut. Grant inaugurated President of the United States."

March 5—Lyceum question  
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for debate was Whether a Lawyer is Justifiable to Defend a Client when he knows him to be wrong?"

March 22 — "Some rocks came tumbling down in the tunnel just before the afternoon train came up. The Town Council was M. B. Fellman, William Matthews, Mathew Miller, Daniel Landis and Jesse G. Smith."

May 13 — "Rumor from England that she, France and

Spain would join together and declare war against the United States. A Love Feast came off at the Methodist rooms at the station."

May 28 — "Attended temperance lecture at the station."

May 31 — "Attended dedication of Sons of Hermann Hall."

June 11 — "It was said R. Cope came up from Doylestown on a velocipede."

About this time the temperance lecture that Levi attended began to have its effects on him, for on June 24 he wrote: "I hereby notify all that I have stopped chewing tobacco. Accompanied the women to station to attend temperance lecture."

And on July 5 he wrote: "Know all men by these presents that I have stopped smoking."

Giving up chewing and smoking the "filthy weed," Heacock hid himself to the truck patch the next day and that evening penned this in his diary: "Hoed corn and potatoes today and my feet are so broke out in poison that I cannot navigate with ease."

Sore feet or no sore feet, the next day he "bought a velocipede, a three wheeled one of Baum for \$50 made in Hatborough." And now being the proud owner of a "wheel," as

the contrivance was called in those days, Levi, still influenced by those temperance lectures, declared on July 8: "Know all men by these presents that I have stopped drinking strong drink of any kind unless necessity requires it." Whether or not the necessity required it, or he stayed "on the wagon," he did not mention thereafter in "Dear Diary," but the velocipede came in for more mention when on July 9 he wrote: "A whole lot of gals were at our place and took rides on my velocipede at the Meeting House."

July must have been a busy time with the bike and the gals, or perhaps he was too tired at night to write in his diary, for the next entry was on August 7 when he said: "Eclipse of the sun came off, about  $\frac{2}{3}$  total."

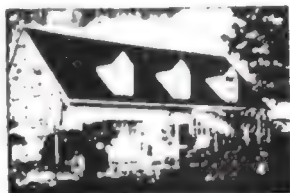
August 10 was a big day in Quakertown when "A party of about 1400 came from Easton and held a picnic in Baringer's woods. They came in a train of 15 cars."

Somewhat interested in astronomy, Heacock not only looked for eclipses, but also studied the heavens at night, and on the 19th of August wrote: "Evening, and E. Hibberd, Frank Shelly, M. B. Fellman, Ed Clymer and I waited up until 12 o'clock to see the comet and rode the velocipede, but said comet did not appear."

Just what gossip was going the rounds in those days was not recorded, but on September 6 his entry read: "Quite a number of people in this town are on the verge of breaking up, and some have broke up." (Tsk! Tsk! In those days too?)

Rumors or no rumors, that velocipede was not only the talk of the town but was envied by many of the residents, men and gals alike, and on September 14 he wrote: "Frank Miller, etc., and myself took

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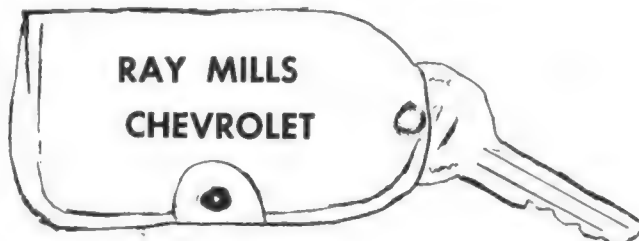
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# THE SETTLERS AND THE INDIANS

by Lillian Wiley

Before William Penn left England a great many persons had purchased land in Pennsylvania; to whom deeds were given, and the surveys were made after their arrival. The oldest deeds on record in Bucks County are those of Penn to Thomas Woolrich, of Shalford, county of Stafford, for one thousand acres, dated April 1st, 1681; and to James Hill of Beckington, county of Somerset, a shoemaker, dated July 27th, 1681, for 500 acres. In each case it is mentioned that the quit rent was one shilling per one hundred acres.

Several immigrants arrived in 1682, previous to Wm. Penn, and settled in Bucks county, many of their descendants may be scattered throughout the county, having such names as AMOR, PAXSON, PLUMBLY, BRINSLEY, CLAWS, BAINBRIDGE, LINGART, CHORLY, HOUGH, RICHARDSON, ACKERMAN, BROCK, EATON, VENABLES, POWNALL, BREASLY, SAYLOR, WORRAL, YARDLEY, HEATH, AND JANNEY.

There seems to be an unwritten law that governs the settlement of new countries. The great river valleys and their tributaries have been the highways for civilization, and the wealth, developed by the labor and capital of these early settlers, flowed down the great valleys to the sea.

Bucks county was settled by three distinct races, whose traits can be traced to the present day. The English, the German, and the Scotch-Irish. The Welsh followed the other three, locating in some portions of the middle and upper sections of the county.

The first to arrive were the English, mostly Friends, who preceded; came with, or followed Penn, and settled in the lower parts of Chester, Philadelphia, and Bucks county. They were the founders of our Commonwealth and have left their lasting impression upon our society and laws. They were followed by the Germans, who transferred their language and custom to the Schuylkill, Delaware and Lehigh River Valleys. They were of several

denominations, the Lutherans, Reformed and Mennonites being the most predominant.

In the winter of 1704-5 Penn wrote to James Logan, that he had a hundred German families preparing to come to Pennsylvania, who would buy 30 or 40 thousand acres of land.

In Summer of 1709 Penn announced the coming of the Germans, and charged him to use them "with tenderness and care", saying they were a sober people, among them Mennonites, "who will neither swear or fight", which was a great recommendation with the founder, tender and considerate William Penn.

They came by the thousands, and the authorities were uneasy, thinking that they may usurp the county for themselves; so they complained that the Germans were bold, taking the best vacant land without paying for it. To discourage their coming, a head tax was placed on each new arrival.

The third race to arrive was the Scotch-Irish. They were mostly Presbyterians. "Timid James Logan had the same fear of them as he had of the Germans. They came in such great numbers he said it looked as if "Ireland is to send all her inhabitants to this province". A head tax was levied, but still they came from a land of oppression to one of civil and religious liberty.

Before the arrival of the Europeans, Bucks county was occupied, and the land owned, by Indians known as the Lenni-Lenape, who lived on both sides of the Delaware from the mouth to its source, and inland to the Susquehanna. They were divided into many tribes, speaking many dialects of the same language. The English called them the Delaware Indians, simply because they lived along the river.

The larger number living within Bucks county, were known as Neshaminies.

The Lenni-Lenapes came from the Mississippi Valley, being driven by a more powerful neighbor to seek a quiet home on the banks of the Delaware. The immigrants found them to be a mild, easy going, and friendly people. Many of the early settlers would have starved if their red neighbors had not assisted to feed them.

Gabriel Thomas, in his early account of Pennsylvania as recorded by W. W. H. Davis,

in his History of Bucks County, says of the Indians. "The children are washed in cold water as soon as they are born and to harden them they are plunged into the river. They walk at about nine months. The boys fish until about fifteen, then they hunt. If they have given good proof of their manhood by a large return of skins, they are allowed to marry, usually at about seventeen or eighteen. The girls stay with their mothers and help to hoe the ground, plant corn and bear burdens. They marry at thirteen or fourteen. Their houses are made of mats or the bark of trees set upon poles no higher than a man, with grass or reeds spread on the ground to lie upon. They live chiefly upon maize or Indian corn roasted in the ashes, sometimes beaten and boiled with water, called hominy. They also eat beans and peas. The woods and river provide most of their provisions. They eat but two meals a day, morning and evening. They mourn a whole year, but it is nothing more than blacking their faces."

Isaac Stills was a celebrated Indian. He had a good education, and was the leader of the last remnant of the Delaware tribe adjacent to Philadelphia. His only son Joshua was educated at Germantown. In 1771 Isaac Stills moved up into Buckingham, where he collected the remains of his tribe. In 1775 he, with forty persons, started off for the Wabash. These were mostly females. The men had gone ahead sometime before. Isaac Stills was described as a fine looking man, wearing a hat ornamented with feathers. The women marched off in regular order, bareheaded, each with a large pack on her back fastened with large straps across the forehead.

In 1690 there were several settlements of Indians in Buckingham and Solebury. Their children and the whites played together. On a farm in Buckingham, a spring still bears the name Indian Spring, from the fact that Indians encamped about it many years after the area was settled. Peg Tuckemoney, a maker of baskets, is said to have been the last of her race in Buckingham, and is remembered for making a school basket for Simon Meredith, of Doylestown, when he was a schoolboy.

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facts.

Then he must search through his library for previous decisions which serve as precedents. Finally he must formulate all these materials and make a decision which is written in detail as his "opinion" as to the disposition of the case.

What does Judge Biester do in his spare time? Again modesty prevails, "Not really anything worth mentioning. That is, I like to do a lot of things, but I don't really stay on one thing long enough to call it a hobby. I guess I just do the things I enjoy."

Judge Biester has been an active supporter of the Boy Scouts for many years. He is Chairman of the County Advancement Committee, and is

the recipient of the Silver Beaver, an award given by the National Council of Boy Scouts on recommendation by the local council. This is the highest award a local scout council may give, and is presented to a registered Scouter for his outstanding service to youth.

Judge Biester is also President of the Board of Trustees of the Melinda Cox Library in Doylestown, and President of the Board of Trustees of Font-hill. Indeed, an active community servant.

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chanted return to mid-city apartments high in the sky but not quite as high as what the neighbor kid charged for mowing the lawns when he got around to 'em. They've had it: township supervisors, PTA, zoning, the bit. They've learned the expensive mathematics of living down on the farm where the Friday night basic arithmetic of 2 plus 1 equals a lousy Martini... as any free-loading house guest will tell you. The servants never did come to live in the servants quarters but the in-laws did, and that's as good a reason as any for getting out.

But why do they come on, the new ones? I can only ask you to leave this garden. Go in any direction out of this County, turn your back on it. And when the pain becomes too great, turn around and come home. The transients have left their mark, certainly; we are not what we once were. Much has changed, is changing. But for all that has become too cute and too precious, there remains a hundred back roads unspoiled, unexplored leading to the dream that is every man's: a place in the sun, and a place under foot that he can call his own.

Some are not ready and some would play God and some believe that money alone can buy a dream.

Me? I was born here, native son. Born upstairs, just ten feet from the bar room in which I'm writing this on the family's time. Been here thirty-seven years, all my life. When I was a kid, Dorothy Parker bounced me on her knee, that chair over there (that's the way I like to remember it, anyhow). Met 'em all. The big ones and the little ones, the ones that didn't make it, the ones that did n't try, and the ones who stayed on. I'm not going anywhere. But, they do wonder sometimes. The neighbors across the way. They wonder how long we're going to stay: the new people at the hotel. That's us. You see, my grandfather wasn't born here and well...

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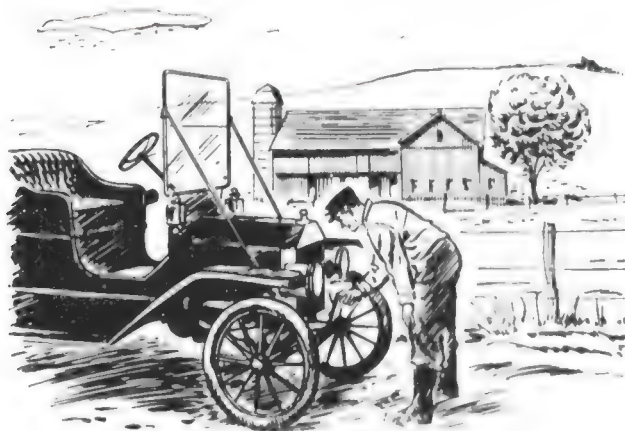
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## Old Diary

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velocipede to John Henry's hill to run up and down. Harry Meredith got up but not without a great deal of exertion. After our return Fellman's women took it down to the Meeting House yard and rode."

By this time Levi Heacock was becoming active in local politics and the diary was rapidly being neglected. However, the last few entries were also uniquely interesting:

September 19 — "Attended funeral of Wm. Vanbuskirk who was killed on the Lehigh

Valley Railroad by getting his head between two cars."

September, 27 — "A plank walk was commenced on Juniper Street."

September 29—"Christ Clymer and I left on 11:15 train for Allentown to attend the Fair which was not very good."

October 5 — "One of the greatest news sensations was a goose race at Chicago, which made 300 yards in 7 min. & 30 sec., for a purse of \$200."

The last entry in that personal account book was made on October 7, 1869, and read: "Attended the Fair at Doylestown. Quakertown was well represented. The fastest trotting was 2.37 1/4. One of the managers said they took in about \$5000."

Thus ended a blow by blow description of how the young men and women disported themselves in Quakertown almost a century ago . . . quite different from the way they do things these days, and nights.

J. Levi Heacock was quite a man. He gave up chewing, smoking and the use of strong refreshments for velocipede riding and having fun with his pals, and gals, and then delved into political and civic activities, serving as Chief Burgess in 1868-69 and again in 1891-97. One of the strongest advocates for a borough-owned electric plant, he was instrumental in introducing electricity to the homes in Quakertown in 1892, which won for him the familiar title of "the father of our light plant."

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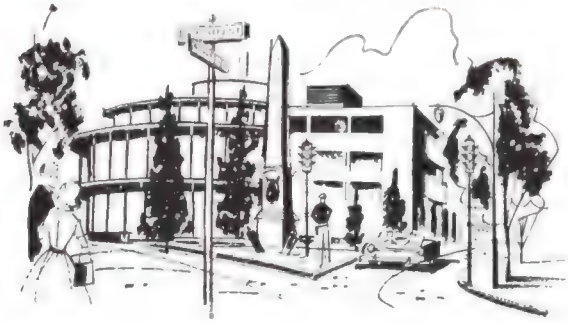
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## Around The County



August 1963

August is always a big month here in Bucks County with special events like the Greater Bucks County Fair, the New Hope Auto Show, the Lions Band Concerts, and, of course, the Playhouse and Music Circus, to name just a few of the many happenings.

The New Hope Automobile Show, held annually at the New Hope-Solebury High School, is scheduled for August 17 & 18 this year. The show offers everything from antique autos, rods and customs to sports cars, plus many other events and is billed as "America's most complete auto show." It's a lot of fun to visit, in case you've never been there. See you there this year.

Bucks County makes the nation's headlines once again; this time we have the youngest college co-ed. TAMARA MOAT of Upper Black Eddy, age 14, has been accepted at Shriver College in Mount Carroll, Ill. She earned all "A's" at Palisades High School, where she completed tenth grade. She hopes to be a practicing physician by the time she is 22. Quite a gal!

DELAWARE VALLEY COLLEGE will start construction of a new dormitory building this fall as a part of their expansion program. The architects for the building are Martin and Gilmore.

We have a couple of "TV Stars" in the County Seat—PATTY ELFMAN and SALLY TOMLINSON. Patty recently appeared on the "Password" TV show, while Sally took home a lot of loot from "Concentration."

TOURISTS DEPT. Doylestown's "DOC" WEISBARD recently returned from a three month tour of Europe. Said the store ran so well while he was gone, he should have stayed longer. His "neighbor" FRED KOHLER and family journeyed to the West Coast, while LINDA and SANDY GEHOE journeyed to the Pocono Mountains for a whirl at camp. In this case, PEGGY and BUD GEHOE (Ma & Pa) got the vacation. They stayed home!

DELAWARE VALLEY COLLEGE announced the new Evening School for students this fall, offering many courses. A full page advertisement elsewhere in Panorama gives details. If you'd like a brochure, you may call or write the college. This is a first for "our college," and we imagine many local folks will want to take advantage of picking up a few college credits over the winter months.

This is the season of parties. BRUGGER'S PIPERSVILLE INN staged their annual "New Year's Eve" party on 3 July. The reason for it being then, rather than 31 December goes back a few years when a snow storm forced cancellation of the 31 Dec. affair, and BRUGGER announced to the world that it would be held the 3rd of July so people would have no trouble in getting there.



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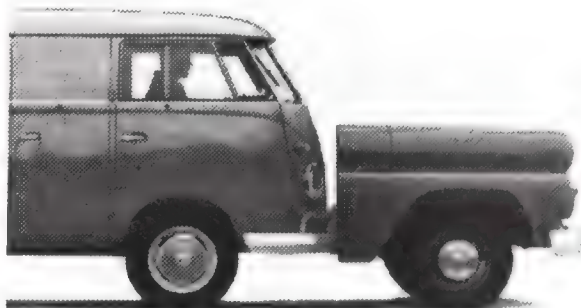
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Another party of note was given by local attorney JONATHAN DUNN at his abode named for the occasion, "Chez Dunn." It was a "Bastille Day" party, honoring the heroes of the French Revolution. Someone with a sense of humor put an advertisement in a local paper announcing a "House for Rent — children and dogs welcomed," giving the address of "Chez Dunn" and the hours of the party as "hours open for inspection." Several persons called, and one actually showed up to see the house for rent. He was persuaded to stay and enjoyed himself even more than the invited guests. Such is "the mad social whirl" in Central Bucks County.

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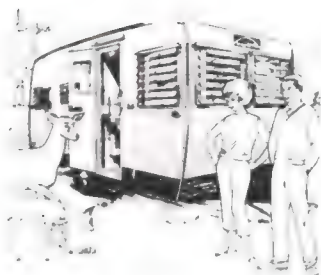


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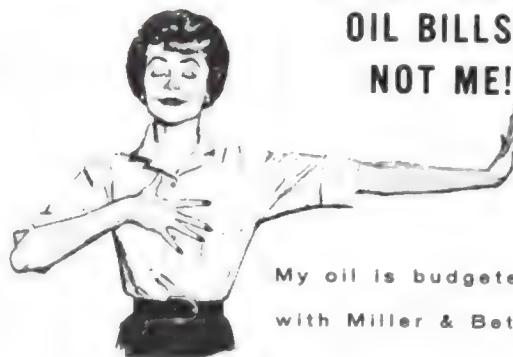
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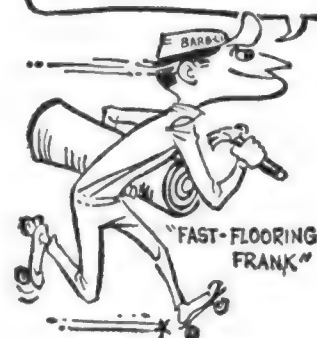
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Over in Lambertville, N.J., The Lambertville House is featuring an exhibition of paintings (oils and watercolors) by HARRY LEITH-ROSS and EVE TURMAN all this month. Next month, the hotel will feature an exhibit of oils and water colors by ALEXANDER S. ALEXANDER of pre-1900 old Philadelphia scenes.

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Our good friend Rev. JOHN J. MORLEY, pastor of The Sacred Heart Church in Hilltown, was among the first few persons who were given an audience with Pope Paul VI in Rome.

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A correction on an item from last issue. RAYMOND MATHEWS is in charge of the new Postal Distribution Center next to The Doylestown Shopping Center.

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A classified advertisement in The Quakertown Free Press caught our eye this past month. It read "Man to work 7 days a week to replace one who didn't."

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A note to remember — The Bucks County Antique Dealers Association will hold another Antiques Show at The Key Rollerama, Routes 313 and 611, on October 15, 16, and 17th.

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Former Panorma staffer GEORGE MATTHEWS, now in the Air Force, was recently promoted from Airman 3/c to Airman 2/c.

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ST. JOHN TERRELL, of Music Circus fame, has added a new attraction at his tent on the hill at Lambertville. Each weekend through August 31, there will be a "Good Old Summertime Antiques Fair and Flea Market." Sounds like fun!

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## Around Town

The photo shown as The Family Album for June was incorrectly listed as the graduating class of 1908. It has been identified as the 8th grade class of 1907, Doylestown Grammar School. Sorry for the error.

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FREDERICK E. EHMANN of Doylestown, brewmaster of C. Schmidt & Sons, Inc., of Philadelphia, was recently elected president of The Philadelphia District, Master Brewers of America.

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I guess we have started a new fad in Bucks County with our inquiry of odd road names. G.R. FLAKE of Chalfont sends us "Chicken Foot Road" (Bristol Township), and ELIAS H. BORDEN of Ivyland sent us a rather complete listing of odd road names including "Buck Toe Road" (Middletown Twp.), "Dunks Ferry Road" (Bensalem), "Tally Ho Drive" (Warminster), "Mud Island Road" (Bensalem), "Stream Lane" (Bristol), "Moosewood Road" (Bensalem) and "Walk Road" (Warminster). Any others??

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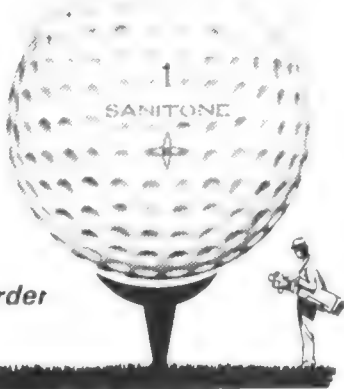
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RAY MILLS was elected to the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Automotive Association at their annual meeting in Bedford, Pa.

WALTER SCHEETZ of Riegelsville was recently elected president of The Pennsylvania Magistrates Association. Walter is also chief deputy in the Bucks County Sheriff's office.

Mr. & Mrs. WILLIAM FROME back for a visit from their home in Puerto Rico to Bucks County recently.

The New Hope Exchange Club dedicated a park on July 6 to the man who founded the town. John Well's grave-site on Route 202 west of New Hope has been restored and a small park area has been opened to the public.

RONNIE WATSON, owner of "Ronnie's Service" at Main and Oakland Ave. in Doylestown, will soon move to a larger location on South Main Street — the former Don Worthington Amoco Station. Good luck in this new venture.

DON'T FORGET the Greater Bucks County Fair, August 20 to 24, 1963, to be held on grounds adjacent to The Quakertown Farmers Market. It'll be a real "swinger."

### Recreation in Penna.

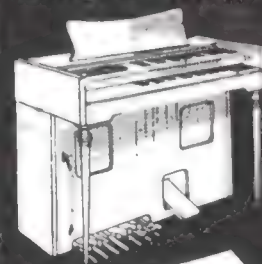
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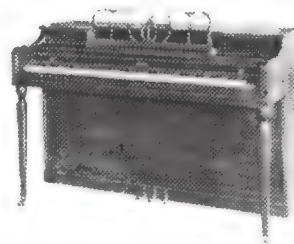
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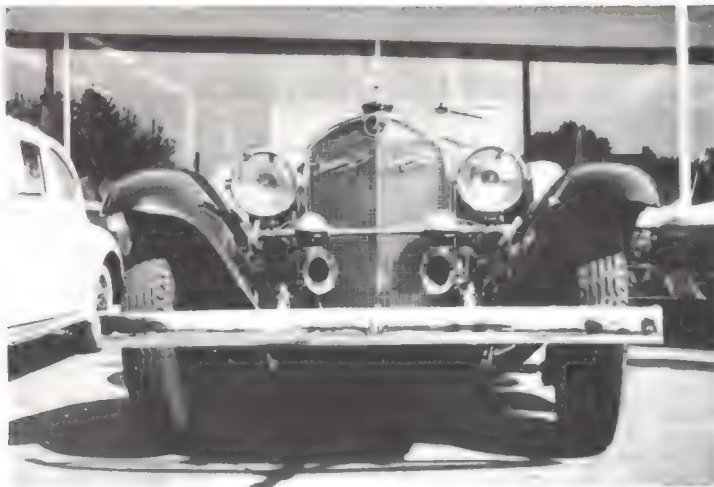


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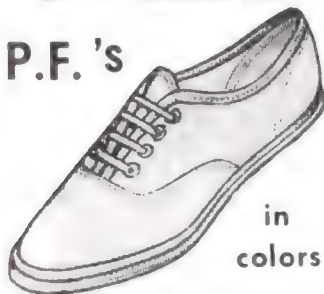
The New Hope-Solebury School will be the scene of much auto activity on the weekend of August 17-18, for that is the date of the annual New Hope Auto Show. Classics (like the Mercedes above, owned by Mr. Pitcairn) will be shown along with sports cars, antiques, Model A and Model T Fords, and just about everything else on wheels. (Panorama Photo by Alliger)

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## Music Circus

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Circus to tell about the show, the shows to come, and other incidental information relating to area entertainment. Few realize that here is a "carny man" who for some time did a "fire-eating" act in carnivals (He can be seen doing it still on a television commercial today) — a man that for several years was the idol of millions of children when he played "Jack Armstrong — The All American Boy" on radio — an accomplished actor of stage and screen — an organizer of USO troupes, and — well threr just doesn't seem to be any end to his talents.

"Sinjin" moved his Music Circus location about a mile up the road, recently, to take advantage of a better location and more ground. Since moving, he has added a ferris wheel and just recently, a most elegant

carousel, his pride and joy.

The Carousel, named "The Elegante" had it's official premiere on July 20, 1963 on the 15th Anniversary of the tent, and has been the number one topic of conversation in the valley ever since.

In addition to presenting over the years, Sinjin has brought weekly Jazz Concerts and weekly "Folk Music Festivals" to his big tent, not to mention his many "Children's Theatre" shows. The regular payroll at this amazing tent is about 150 persons.

Many of today's top personalities got their start at The Music Circus, including Shirley MacLaine, Shari Lewis, Robert Goulet, Audrey Meadows, Elaine Stritch, Stephan Douglas, Elaine Malbin, Jack Cassidy and many others.

Mr. Terrell's "crazy idea" of 1949 has not only given the theatre a new dimension and vitality, but has created many thousands of jobs for actors in the "tent". The Bucks County area, has not only been the scene of much of our nation's history, but through the efforts of men like St. John Terrell, has taken an important place in the history of the theatre. — RJA



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## Historical Briefs

The City of Easton was named for the Northamptonshire estate (Easton-Weston) of Lord Pomfret, father-in-law of William Penn's son, Thomas, and founder of Easton. . . . The little Pennsylvania Dutch village of Bird-in-Hand, Lancaster County, got its name from a hotel-tavern sign that pictured a bird and bore the inscription, "A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush." . . . America's first singing society was established in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania in 1742.

## Owlsburg

Owlsburg was an old settlement in southwestern Bedminster Township. This place was popular among old-time politicians and it enjoyed considerable notoriety in mid-eighteenth century days. Tradition says the name was applied to the place because of the wisdom of the inhabitants. Whether specially wise to the wiles of the politicians who resorted there is not stated. — "Place Names in Bucks County"

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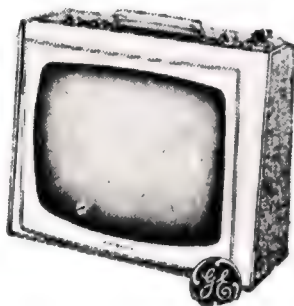
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## LETTERS...

### State Street

Dick —

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— John Mason,  
President  
Doylestown Borough  
Council

(Ed. Note—The contractors who worked on State Street in Doylestown did a wonderful job, and, while sidewalks are narrower, they are certainly wide enough to accommodate several persons walking side by side. Thanks for bringing this to our attention, John.)

### Classified

Dick Alliger;

I noticed that my adv. concerning the book "The Genealogy of The Bergey Family" was repeated in the July issue of PANORAMA. Please discontinue it, as I have received a copy of the book. The advertisement brought prompt results and a number of replies since.

Am still enjoying Panorama immensely.

— Lucy N. Bitterlich  
Miami, Fla.

### Taxes

Dear Mr. Alliger:

I have read with interest comments in PANORAMA about the fact that Bucks County pays more in Federal taxes than it receives back in services. I would like to suggest that this is an unfortunate, and yet necessary, situation that for a number of years will be needed to help strengthen this great nation of ours.

The section of our country that receives the greatest amount of Federal help over and above the Federal funds it pays in to the government is the South. The South is the section of this nation that does the most to hold back the development of America and contributes the most support to anti-progressive and anti-democratic movements within our

country. There are two basic reasons for this; the unbelievable low level of education in the South (the average citizen of Georgia has 7 grades of education, and that includes the citizens of Atlanta, so that the average for the rest of the state is lower), and the pitiful economic system, which creates a larger upper class, a small middle class, and a huge group of underpaid workers, who are paid far less than workers in the rest of America who do the same work.

This situation is, in many parts of the South, kept as it is by an almost unbreakable political system, which makes it absolutely impossible for the local citizens concerned with the welfare of more than a select group of persons to do any thing to improve the economic or educational situation of their community. The seemingly only solution to this situation is expressed, in part, by Southerner Ralph McGill, who notes in his book, "The South and the Southerner": "They were shacks or near shacks and their interiors were as dreary as their exteriors. There were children in them, and they were all being cheated (as their parents had been) of their national birthright by an irrational, inbred, estranged regionalism. The children of the South needed a helping hand reached out to them from some high place."

Under the present situation that high place so needed to help strengthen a major section of our nation's youth can only be the Federal Government. Surely our nation can be no stronger than its parts; and helping raise the level of Southern education and other aspects of Southern life will prove to be a good investment for the tax payers of the rest of the nation, including those of Bucks County.

— Norman L. Kilpatrick  
Washington, D. C.

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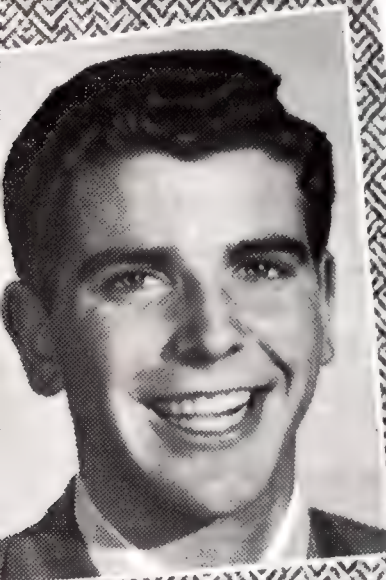
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## OUR COVER



Our Cover this month shows the Uhlerstown Covered Bridge near Upper Black Eddy in Bucks County. It is of the lattice-type, unique in having windows in mid-span. It is built of oak and runs 110 feet across the Delaware Canal. Canal locks may be seen in the background. This month Pennsylvanians will celebrate "Covered Bridge Week." Why not take time this month to see Bucks Co.'s Covered Bridges. (Photo courtesy Bucks County Historical Society.)

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Joseph Smith used the first hard coal in Bucks County at his place in Tinicum Township in 1813.

## EDITORIAL COMMENT

### POLITICS — '63

We haven't commented on the political scene in some time, mainly because there was so little to talk about. Now, there seems to be two political stories that deem comment—one local and one national.

The national political scene will be getting hotter over the next few months with the National Conventions next summer. The Democratic Convention, scheduled for Atlantic City might just as well be held at Hyannisport, as there seems little doubt who will get their nod. The only real interest there, is whether Mr. Johnson, sent to oblivion by Mr. Kennedy, will be able to muster up enough strength to be renamed the Demo VP candidate.

The Republican side of the fence is much more interesting from a commentator's point of view. Everyone and his brother seems to want to fight JFK in the main arena in 1964. Gov. Rockefeller and Senator Goldwater are top contenders at the moment, with Scranton, Nixon, Hatfield, Romney and many others in the background. The big fight is between the Liberals and the Conservatives, and Mr. Goldwater has taken the lead. There is a push on to "Stop Goldwater." Let's look at the picture.

Mr. Rockefeller and Mr. Kennedy are cut from the same political cloth — both millionaires by birth, both very liberal in political belief, and any disagreement would be not over the man so much, as the party label and patronage that goes with the highest office in the land. A contest between these two gentlemen could be decided by a flip of the coin, as the same type of government would ensue.

Mr. Goldwater, on the other hand, we feel, would not only present a real contest, but holds the only Republican Key to the White House. The word Conservative has become a dirty

word in politics during the past few years due to a Victorian picture of the conservative politician. Mr. Goldwater does not fit into this picture. He believes, unlike Mr. Kennedy, we can not spend ourselves into boom times (Mr. Kennedy must realize this by now, even if he won't admit it). Mr. Goldwater's theory of less government for less taxes bears careful consideration by all. His popularity is gaining new heights every day. We feel perhaps that the American people might welcome such a change. Mr. Goldwater would probably be the first Republican to sweep the 'solid south,' plus take the midwest and northwest. He would have trouble in the industrial east, and far west — or would he?

The rank and file Republican voter would do well to take a second look at Mr. Barry Goldwater. We think he is the Republican party's only chance to capture the White House in '64.

The local political story of note could well be titled — **"HAS SUCCESS SPOILED PAUL BECKERT?"**

Last year we commented several times on the now GOP Chairman and County DA, Mr. Paul R. Beckert. We questioned his ability to lead the party, and at the same time be an effective district attorney. Many agreed with our thinking,

but most "went along" with this new political hero who gained political "control" of the county by politically assassinating the man who trained him, and in effect put him where he is today — Edward B. Boyer.

Mr. Beckert, flushed with success, then attempted to "cash in" on this instant popularity before too many got wise, and aimed for a judgeship. It was a little too late. Too many persons were beginning to see through his political lacquer, and squelched his bid. The men who did it, are the persons who know him best — The Bucks County Bar Association. They not only stopped him in his bid, but started him on the road to retirement. His "hand-picked cronies" on the GOP Executive Committee are trying to get Governor Scranton to appoint him anyhow, but if Scranton keeps his campaign promise, he will accept the Bucks County Bar Association's suggestions.

When one attains political office the way Mr. Beckert did, it doesn't take the voters long to realize their mistake. We feel it won't be long before "the Political Obituary of Paul Beckert" will soon be completely written. The Bucks County Bar Association wrote the first chapter.

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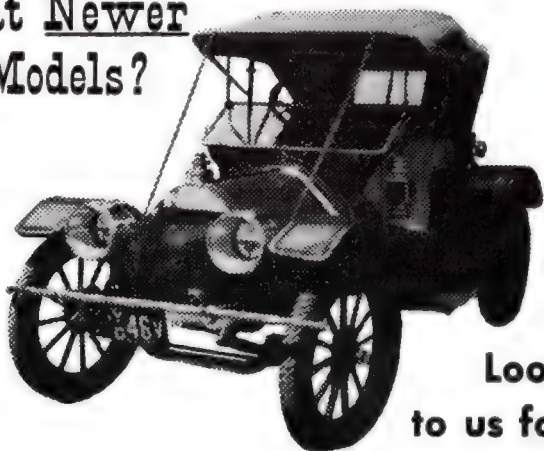


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## Rambling with Russ

by

A. Russell Thomas

**BROWSING AROUND:** After a most delightful vacation in Wisconsin, "the land of the gathering waters," a state with 8,700 lakes and nearly 20,000 miles of rivers and streams, the Thomases will long remember our visit to Madison, the capital city and site of the University of Wisconsin, where our son-in-law is associate dean of the Graduate School. We so much enjoyed the three grandchildren, and daughter Nancy and her husband Eric. The 2,000-acre campus at Wisconsin is one of the most attractive in America. And by the way, for my fishing friends, Lake Mendota, another Madison attraction, is said to be the best perch fishing lake in the nation.

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**MANY FOLKS** still cling to old tattered issues of newspapers, keepsakes of the past, but this Rambler still remembers a lot of things that occurred in the past 43 years while reporting in this jurisdiction. For an after-vacation column that may or may not please you, we offer some old jottings from the yellow pages of one of our old note books, starting with September, 1928.

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**THIRTY-FIVE YEARS Ago — 1928:** The community of "WYNNEJAMES" became a reality when the Doylestown realtor, Wynne James, Jr., purchased two tracts near the National Farm School, the Carl Myers and the Georgie A. Homer farms, for real estate development.

The "Charles C. McKinstry Trophy," at stake at the Fanny Chapman Memorial Swimming Pool (Doylestown) was won by Ferdinand (Ferd) Hellyer, for scoring the most points in the meet . . . Doylestown Emergency Hospital Fund campaign results for 1928 amounted to \$8,624.32 . . . 18-year-old, 185-pound, 5 ft., 11 inches Ed (Butch) Pearce (the present county clerk in the Commissioner's Office), reported at Penn State for football practice . . . Just 96 cases were listed for Bucks county criminal court duty at the September term with Judge William C. Ryan being assisted by Judge Samuel E. Shull, imported from Stroudsburg, Monroe county. . . . There were 42 liquor cases among the 96 cases listed on the docket.

Doylestown Ford Dealer Joseph J. (Joe) Conroy, sold his spacious "Windemere" home on Doylestown's East Court street through the J. Carroll Molloy real estate agency to J. B. B. Stryker, Lansdale glue manufacturer, and purchased two properties at the corner of Church and State streets from Fred A. Scheetz, one of which he later occupied as the new Conroy home.

Congressman Henry W. Watson, introduced by Oscar O. Bean (the greatest boss I ever had), addressed the Doylestown Rotary Club and told them "it is an honor to address Rotary because it stands for higher ideals in commercial and civic affairs."

A Philadelphian who robbed the Buckingham Valley and Wycombe stations of the Reading Railroad Company was sentenced by Judge William C. Ryan to serve 10 to 20 years in the Eastern Penitentiary.

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With dealers present from 19 states, the public auction of antiques at Doylestown's historic Fountain House attracted thousands of persons and a total sale of approximately \$75,000, was recorded. The hotel was then owned by the late Francis C. Mireau. The inn was frequently visited by Henry Ford, who bought hoop-skirts for his Dearborn (Mich.) Museum . . . A

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# THIS IS BUCKS COUNTY!



*This unusual building near Buckingham is a gravity-feed water tower. Built about 100 years ago by Colonel Paxson, it supplied water to three neighboring homes. It is located on the farm of Mr. Lester Shoemaker.*



# Mr Pierce's Dream

by

David Mullin

(Photos by Don Renner)

Centuries ago, when men first began to keep organized records of his past and present experience, he gave to mankind, one of its greatest contributions — the book. Where it not for the "Book" the great patriots of the past might not have made their mark on humanity.

Lincoln is said to have read borrowed books by candle light. Truly an example of the will to learn, and an example that man learns not only from experience, but by the knowledge gained from reading. Since the advent of the book, the only notable advance to it has been the library. Today, more than ever, man has a greater need for knowledge, and through our libraries, knowledge is available.

Our large cities have, as a

rule, ample facilities, but what of our suburban areas? Upper Bucks County Pa. citizens can certainly be both proud and thankful, as there is a "Free Library" available to them. Operating since 1955 the Pierce Free Library has continued very successfully without deviation, and with very little of the merit due it.

The building, built in the early 1900's, was formerly the Gehman's School. A red brick building, located on route 113 east of Silverdale, functioned well as a school until better facilities were made available in 1955. The reason for converting this building into a library is quite a picture of love and concern for one's fellow man.

It begins in 1947 when Mr. Samuel Pierce moved to near-by Silverdale. As Mr. Pierce

explains it, "While driving past the school house one day I happened to notice that the facilities available for the children were not very adequate. A one room school house was not very adequate even in 1947! I did what I could for the children, by providing an area for a baseball field, but this did not help the educational shortages very much. When the school house closed, the vacant building went up for sale, and I bought it without hesitation."

The library was conceived, and with 1200 books acquired from a library in New Jersey, opened to the public. The fact of the library being free was in itself not enough, for who was to operate it now that it had opened? The answer came quickly and with quite some

surprise. About 20 local women volunteered to do the duties. Some of these women were engaged in business, others in public and civic affairs. One woman, Mrs. William Hoffman, came out of nine years of retirement to become the Library's Chief Librarian. Mrs. Hoffman spent 20 years as a librarian in Philadelphia. "When the library first opened", cites Mrs. Daniel Alterman, another volunteer, "we used to have the readers sign their names on a blackboard. But we have improved some since those days!"

From the original 1200 books, the library has grown to a total collection of approximately 8000 books. This figure may not amaze many people, but these 8000 books are kept in an area of 1600 square feet



of floor space. In 1961, 900 books were added to the shelves, and so far this year there has been a total of 800 more.

"The most popular books are the children's books," said Mrs. Hoffman. The children within the ages of ten to fourteen generally read fiction. It was interesting to note that some of the books taken out have some bearing on the latest world affairs, but generally they relate to what the children may be studying about in school. The men seem to lean to non-fiction while the women read more fiction than other forms of writing.

In July and August the library has a Children's Story Hour, in which they serve milk and cookies, and read stories to the children of nature and different customs of the world. Only about half of the books received by the library are donated. The remainder of the books are bought from profits made by several drives and contributors. To operate a library with a budget of less than \$1,000.00 per annum is an accomplishment that seems very hard to believe. The library might well be deemed self-supporting. The money used for purchasing books, comes solely from the many cultural undertakings and from drives.

Each year the library sponsors the "Pennridge Corps De Ballet," the proceeds going to books. The reason for the tremendous success that the Pierce Free Library has experienced thus far, can be attributed to many things. Perhaps the most important reason, is the effort put forth by the women volunteers toward the cultural development of the community. The community seems to recognize this effort, as it has shown its appreciation by supporting the drives and concerts put on by the library.

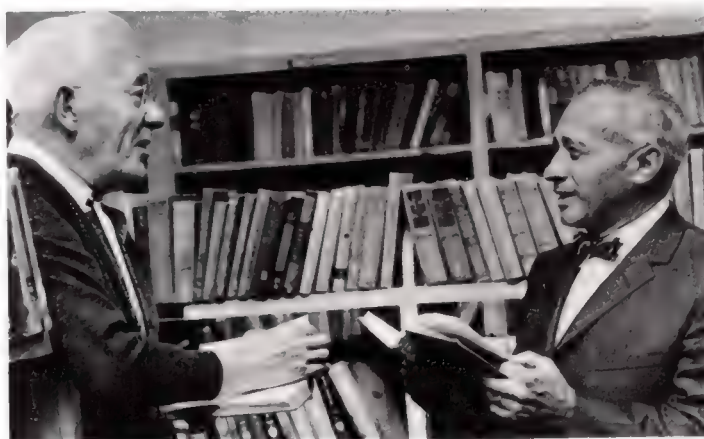
Mrs. Wenner, another volunteer, stated that "aside from providing books for the community, the library has several paintings upon the walls." The paintings were done by five generations of "Baums." Perhaps the most famous member of the family of Baums was Walter Emmerson Baum, famous for his snow scenes. His son, Mr. Bert Baum, now instructing at the Baum school of Art in Allentown, displays paintings periodically, along with paintings by several other local artists. Oils now on display are, "The Hill City" by



*He is listening, but off in dream land. Mrs. Hoffman often reads books to the children when she finds time among her many duties as chief librarian. (Photo by Don Renner)*

W. E. Baum, "Swann's Place Durham" by Bert Baum, and "Capri" by an unknown.

Although there are perhaps several thousand libraries in our country, each with an outstanding display of paintings, and fine collections of books, the thought occurs that how many of them are free, and in the most unexpected building, a one room school house. Certainly a wonderful deed was done when Mr. Samuel Pierce opened this library to the public.



*Mr. Samuel Pierce, (right) talking with a friend, is looking over one of the many books available at the library. Mr. Pierce the originator, reads as much as possible with his busy schedule. (Photo by Don Renner)*

# Water Witching

by

Alice Richards

As our astronauts hurtle through outer space, and our advancements in scientific knowledge leap ahead, modern man still clings to practices bordering on the mystic.

Just below the catapulting space bound figure, a man can be seen practicing an ancient art that may go back in time some thousands of years. He walks slowly across a stretch of pastureland, eyes intent on the forked branch he holds in both hands before him. The man is a water witcher; one who is said to locate buried bodies of water, a stream or some supply for a well, with only, as they say, the help of the Divine and a rod.

This mystic art has more than one name; water witching, water divining, and dowsing. The Pennsylvania Dutch people, among whom it is a prevalent practice, refer to the locator of water as a 'wasser-sooher'. The forked branch used in the hunt becomes a witching rod, divining rod or dowsing rod.

Though many methods may be followed in the sober hunt for needed water, when a water diviner is engaged to locate the site for a future well, he usually employs the use of a forked stick. The branch may be a willow wand, or come from the cherry, apple, elm, or peach tree. In a pinch, it has been known for poison oak to be used!

Walking slowly, the green divining rod held a few inches above ground, the dowser grasps the two branches of the forked twig before him, one in each hand, with the

joined portion skyward. Slowly, somberly, he paces the land, eyes in an hypnotic trance-like gaze on the stick. As he moves across the area, if he is to be successful, suddenly the branch quivers, whips downward in a spastic movement (sometimes so strong that the bark is peeled from the branch), as the diviner holds on. This action is supposed to indicate the location of water hidden beneath the ground.

While not always successful, this novel—yet ancient—method of locating water has its own followers who insist on its accuracy. On some farms one may see the latest in equipment needed to operate a successful farming enterprise. Yet it may be across these very acres the owner, firmly believing in its success, has engaged the man with the divining rod to make his exciting and mysterious search.

The water diviners have different explanations for their art. Some look upon it as a gift and some say they can sniff out water quite some distance down. Still others just shrug and offer no explanation. Whatever its source, or success, it is an art which will probably survive our space age. And—who knows? Someday one of these water diviners may be plodding across an expanse of the moon, following the forked branch until it turns violently in his hands and points with all signs to a spot on the face of the moon!





# *Bucks County*

## *Fall Fashion Preview*

a Panorama Photo Feature

**Produced**

**by**

**Peggy Gehoe**

Everyone is interested in what's new in fashion for fall. With this in mind, we contacted some of Bucks County's leading stores to find out exactly what we will be wearing in a few short weeks when autumn arrives in Bucks County. On this and the following pages, we present a Fall Fashion Preview of what's new in the Bucks County Shops.

**Photos by Richard Kaplinski**



A corduroy topcoat which promises to be a winner with not only Jewel Renner, but all the gals, features a genuine Wolf collar. It is lined in a lush and warm mohair and is in the popular  $\frac{3}{4}$  length. From the **VOGUE SHOPPE** of Doylestown and Perkasie. \$35.00.



For campus Kings everywhere, George Umholtz suggests this warm, hand-knit sweater imported from Iceland and made from 100% Icelandic wool. It sports a crew neck with brown designed yoke on a neutral beige ground. \$35.00 from **ELY'S CLOTHIERS**.



Bound to make Fashion News on all the campuses, Jewel Renner models a weskit and pert set, by Glenora. Notice the sage green wool Bermudas partially covered with the four sectioned checked skirt . . . that is ATTACHED to the shorts. The Weskit matches the skirt. Pert—\$8.95. Weskit—\$7.95. Oxford cloth skirt—\$3.95. From the **VOGUE SHOPPE**, Doylestown and Perkasio.



For a grand entrance on any campus, Jewel Renner chooses this sophisticated black and white tweed jumper by Elinor Porter. It features the new A-line which is designed to emphasize your figure and patterned for comfort. \$25.00 for jumper with its own lovely white crepe blouse. **VOGUE SHOPPE**, Doylestown and Perkasio.

All settings at the **DELAWARE VALLEY COLLEGE**, Doylestown, Pa.



A favorite with all the girls are the matching skirt and sweater outfits. Jewel Renner selects this one in the new cranberry red with a classic shetland wool sweater and a straight matching flannel skirt. Sweater—\$7.95. Skirt—\$8.95. Carry-all bag—\$5.95. Available from the **VOGUE SHOPPE** of Doylestown and Perkasio.

Off to college go the boys . . . and John Rudolph is all set in a Gothic red harlequin-plaid sweater by Campus from **RUDOLPH'S**, Doylestown. It features a crew neck and is 100% wool. \$9.99

With it, John wears black polished cotton Ivy style leisure slacks by Lee (\$4.95). A good suggestion too, is the foot-locker by Vacationer, \$7.95. Italian loafer shoes, \$8.95, and black and white car coat is one of a large selection at **RUDOLPH'S**.



For an elegant look in a slack set, Miki Gawronski selects these beautiful imported wool knit separates from Stuttgart, Germany. The Sweater-jacket has rosy-pink flowers and green trim on stark white. \$29.95. Matching green wool knit slacks — \$19.95. Available at **ELY'S DRESS SHOP**.

Miki's new boot style shoes are Old Maine Trotters in Bronze waxed calf. \$12.95 from **SHOE BOTIQUE**.





For her all important trip to College, Ellouise Roeger selects this lovely oatmeal colored coat by Jill, Jr. from **MUSSELMAN'S**, topped with a flattering face framing fox collar. \$49.95.

The very attractive luggage is, of course, Samsonite. Overnight bag, \$27.50, Train case, \$25.00.

Making fashion news for the men, George Umholtz selects an impeccably tailored sport coat in an all wool muted plaid in copper tones. It is Authentic from the Kingsridge collection at **ELY'S CLOTHIERS**. \$42.50.

The coat is set off by all wool worsted flannel slacks, also by Kingsridge. \$18.95.

A MUST for all the College boys, is the alligator belt by Expanso (\$12.95) and the ever-popular cordovan loafer shoes by Bostonian (\$15.95). All at **ELY'S CLOTHIERS**.

The perfect dress for the President's Tea. Jewel Renner is lovely in this 100% black wool jersey sheath dress, an Elinor Porter original. It is topped with a sleeveless, button-back vest made of Civet cat, imitation fur . . . one of fall's big fashion hits. A smart dress alone or mix the vest with skirts. Available at the **VOGUE SHOPPE** of Doylestown and Perkasio. \$29.95.

All settings at the **DELAWARE VALLEY COLLEGE**, Doylestown, Pa.





A versatile grey flannel from **ELY'S DRESS SHOP** is a College must for Miki Gawronski for teas and tea dances. This one is a "Tent dress" with long shirt type sleeves, and permanently pleated from shoulder to hem, to flatter any figure. Wear with or without belt, and dress up or down with jewelry. \$35.00.

Anticipating sorority rush parties, Ellouise Roeger looks her best in a two piece black and white checked suit by Jerrie Lurie, \$22.95. It is comfortably casual and the bright red scarf at the neck adds a chic touch. Black calf purse — \$10.95. Available at **MUSSELMAN'S**.

"The weather won't matter," says George Umholtz, if you're dressed in this Zero King club coat of olive brown corduroy. It is wind and water repellant and completely wool lined. \$39.95 at **ELY'S CLOTHIERS**.

Settings — Delaware Valley College, Doylestown, Pa.

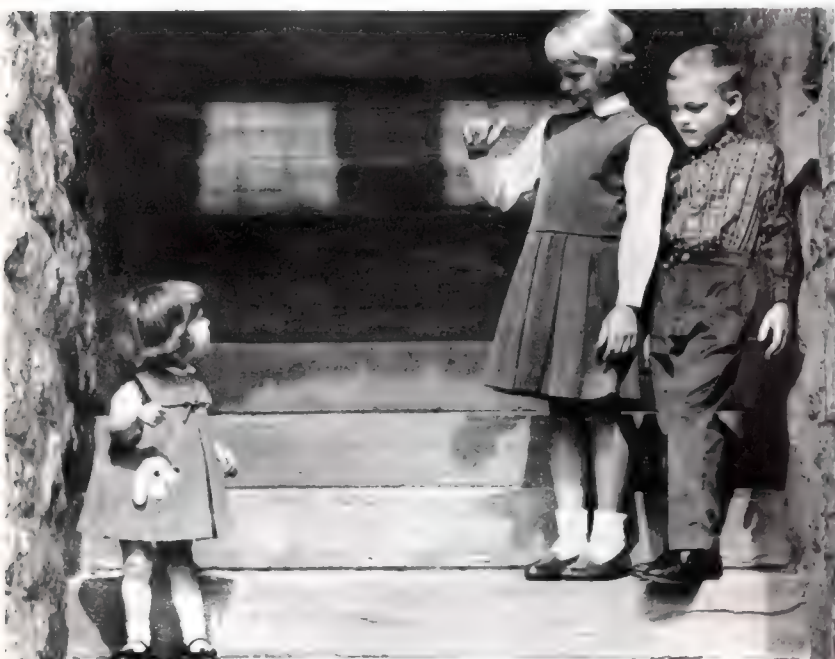




High Fashion for the younger school gals is personified by Judy Klumpp (right) and her sister Joan Klumpp. Judy begins the fall term in a plaid shift jumper of popular orlon and viscose by Cinderella. (It is washable, of course.) \$5.98 from **MUSSELMAN'S** 7 to 14 girls Department. The oxford cloth blouse features long sleeves and a pert stand up collar by Ship & Shore, \$2.98. Joan likes the suspended corduroy skirt that is the rage with the older girls. This one sports its own co-ordinated print blouse with matching corduroy patches on the elbows. (Practical too!) Outfit in Pre-teen sizes by McShore from **MUSSELMAN'S**. \$7.95.



While not quite "thrilled" at the prospect of returning to school, Steve Klumpp does look happy about his back to school outfit, which includes washable gabardine slacks (which mothers prefer) by Billy-the-Kid. \$3.98. The broadcloth dress shirt is by Kaynee, \$3.50, and the masculine looking cardigan sweater by Pickwick is a soft grey with bright red trim. \$5.98. From **MUSSELMAN'S** Boys Department.



Looking quite sad about not being able to go to school with her cousins, little Verdie Lee Logan (lower left) looks "cute as a button" in a two-piece checked corduroy jumper and blouse combination by Tiny Town \$7.98, from David's Children's Shop, The **COUNTRY COUSINS STORE**. Sizes 2 to 4. Notice the dog applique trim, that really squeaks. ■

Happy to begin their scholarly duties is Debbie Wilson (left) and her brother, Ollie. Debbie is smart and prac-

tical in an olive green corduroy jumper which features the new dropped waist, and kick pleats all around. Jumper, \$5.98. The co-ordinated white shirt has matching green corduroy patches on the sleeves, \$2.98. Sizes 7 to 14.

Brother Ollie Wilson sports a bright red tartan plaid shirt by Model, \$2.98, and his washable olive corduroy slacks are by Health-Tex. Boys' sizes 4 to 8. Both outfits from David's Children's Shop, The **COUNTRY-COUSINS STORE**.



Making shoe fashion news for Fall is the classic pump. This year college girls have their choice of five heights of heel. **NYCE'S SHOE STORE** carries this calf pump, with the new toe and new throat lines by FASHION CRAFT in a low, medium low, mid, medium hi and (pictured) hi heels. Select your preference for \$8.99. Pictured with it is one of a large selection of sport and dressy bags. This style in a dressy little calf purse — \$3.44, also at **NYCE'S SHOE STORE**.



Even the young school boys that still need correction can have the highest styles from **NYCE'S SHOE STORE**. Here is an Edwards moccasin-toed oxford in a deep-toned brown. Edwards are popular with the young folks, with or without correction.



Boots, boots, boots and more boots are for the girls at school this year. **NYCE'S SHOE STORE** features a practical Ki-YAK shoe-boot. It is unlined (for indoor wear too), with brushed toe and gluv leather back. The color is Otter and priced at \$8.99. With it goes this big, big bag of three blending colors . . .

brown, tan and black — \$3.44. Will really carry-all.

With the Fashion conscious teen-age boys in mind, **NYCE'S SHOE STORE** sports a gleaming black calf Randcraft. It has a spade last, pointed toe, two eyelet ties and the new cuban heel. \$8.99



Little school girls rave about the soft jet black nylon velvet oxfords and mothers rave about their wearing qualities and non-spot, non-scuff features. **NYCE'S SHOE STORE** suggests this cute style for fall with multi-colored leaf trim.





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## RAMBLING WITH RUSS

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handsome curly maple highboy which I always admired, sold for \$4,200 to Saturday Evening Post Publisher George Horace Lorimer. . . . A Lafayette grandfather's clock sold for \$1,025, and a Queen Anne highboy brought \$750 . . . Out of this sale this Rambler and his wife got one of the "Ollie Hohlbein" Chippendale mirrors (made in Doylestown).

Three Republicans who voted for Abraham Lincoln were among the 350 men and women attending the annual meeting of the Bucks County Republican County Committee in the Doylestown Armory . . . They were George C. Worstall, Newtown; Jacob L. Myers, Hilltown, a former Recorder of Deeds; and Winfield Ellis, Langhorne — all over 85 years of age . . . At this meeting Hiram H. Keller, then district attorney, was re-elected county chairman.

Bucks county's first "air wedding" was performed by Magistrate Harry Nuss of Norristown, in a plane that took off from the Norristown Airport, containing the pilot, the magistrate and the principals, Miss Dorothy Wagner, 18, of Sellersville, and Russell Raudenbush, 25.

CRITICISM of officers arrested for alleged tipsy driving of automobiles because their breath smelled of liquor, was advanced in no uncertain words in a session of September criminal court that I well remember, by Attorney John L. DuBois, of Doylestown . . . A very short time after Barrister DuBois had orated, a jury acquitted the defendant, a resident of Wycombe, and placed the costs on the county of Bucks . . . Said Attorney DuBois, according to my notes: "This new-fangled disease known as halitosis has confused some police officers it seems. I would venture to say that 90 percent of the people in the country have halitosis, a disease of the breath . . . Simply because a person's breath smells like liquor, does not mean necessarily that he is under the influence of intoxicating liquor . . . It might be some other odor."

WOMEN OF the Republican Party in Bucks county, members of the Republican Council of Women, met at the home of Mrs. A. Russell Thomas in Doylestown and planned for a series of Hoover-Curtis Booster meetings, with Mrs. Henry E. Ancker, of Bristol, president of the Council, presiding. Mrs. Thomas was secretary of the Council for a number of years.

JOE HOHLEFELDER and Gerald Hennessy (Doylestown) entered Ursinus College . . . Peter Jolla, a Doylestown pacer owned and driven by the owner, Ollie Leatherman, finished fourth in the first heat and third in the last two heats of the feature race at the Great Allentown Fair . . . An advertisement in a Doylestown newspaper inserted by Harvey R. Gehman, 9 West Court street, read, "COME AND HEAR THE NEW 8-TUBE EVEREADY A.C. RADIO WITH PLUGGED-IN HOUSE CURRENT." . . . Stricken with a heart attack, Christian Brower Darst, noted artist and sculptor, died suddenly at his home on North Main st., Doylestown (opposite the PANORAMA OFFICE), at the age of 65. . . . Four women and two men were killed instantly at the Green Lane crossing of the Pennsylvania Railroad (Bristol) when the car in which they were riding was hit by "The Crescent Limited," an extra fare train, as the driver of the car tried to beat the train to the crossing.

ONLY 25 YEARS AGO (September 1938): A peep-hole in a rear partition of the Schuyler & Bowers Men's Store on Main street, Doylestown, plus an alerted police department, resulted in the capture of one of two thieves who walked into the store and packed away several suits in a suitcase they were carrying. . . . The cries of "Stop Thief" on the part of Haberdasher Bowers, (who was the peeper) and the quick response of assistance from nearby State Police, resulted in a recovery of the loot (one man is still missing).

The Borough of Hatboro was stunned when the Oscar Nebel Hosiery Company plant decided to move South throwing out of employment, close to 500 men and women. . . . The County

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# The Taverns That Became A Town

by

Lillian Wiley

Time was, when the rattle of trace chains and the clop-clop of horses' hooves was a familiar sound to the citizens of Doylestown. For here, two great highways crossed. And it was here also, that weary travelers found rest and lodging in one of the three public inns at Main and State Streets. The tavern played an important role in those early days of the community. Many people could neither read nor write, and since the inn was often the first building erected on a street, it became a meeting place where men could hear the news of the times and exchange ideas. So it was in Doylestown about one hundred and fifty years ago.

One of the taverns at the southeast corner of State and Main, (occupying the site of the Lenape building), was named "The Ship," and was the oldest of the group. No one is quite sure when it was first licensed, since there is no record at hand, but the property was owned by Samuel and James Flack. There

is recollection that a tavern was kept there as early as 1778.

It is said that a child of Samuel Flack was buried from The Ship Tavern in the Neshaminy graveyard. While the burial was taking place, the firing of guns at the "Battle of Crooked Billet" could be heard.

In 1806 Asher Miner in his paper speaks of that noted tavern stand "sign of The Ship," (during the ownership of Matthew Hare), in Doylestown fronting the Easton and New Hope roads. Hare was followed by a succession of landlords among whom were John Worman, Lott Carr and Colonel Flack. In 1817 Jacob Kohl became owner of The Ship and was agent for a line of stages running to Philadelphia. In 1829 The Ship was called the "Bucks County Hotel," and kept by Richard Leedom.

The Ship had many commanders although all were not owners. Their names have long since been lost to history, but

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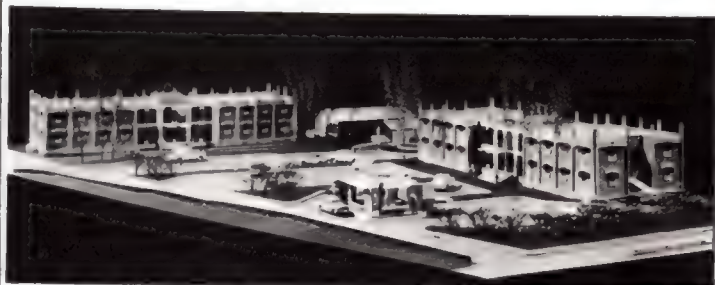
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## RAMBLING WITH RUSS

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Theatre (Doylestown) opened its new \$75,000 motion picture house with Joseph A. Wodock as proprietor and Charles Kahn, Philadelphia, the builder. . . . President Judge Hiram H. Keller gave the official welcome at the theatre opening.

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At the 1938 Fall Swimming Meet, Fanny Chapman Memorial Pool, with 25 competitors, Miss Elizabeth (Sis) Eastburn and her brother, John, carried off top honors as "the two best swimmers." . . . The best divers were Miss Sonia Slotter and Bob Bitzer. . . . Bill Kane captured the midget boy's event and the midget girl's event was divided between Miss Slotter and Miss Betsy Keller. . . . Doylestown school board applied for a \$250,000 Federal aid grant for a new junior-senior high school to be erected on the 12-acre Burpee Tract.

William S. Livengood, Jr., Republican candidate for Secretary of Internal Affairs of Pennsylvania, told members of the Loyal Republican Club of Bucks County at Buckingham (500 men and women present) that "The New Deal is a deliberate suppression of business in order to control the votes." . . . Daniel W. Tomlinson was elected president of the Doylestown Doayapo Club at the 7th annual meeting held at the Devon Restaurant. . . . Thomas Diver (D-Town Borough Treasurer) was elected president of the Young Republicans of Doylestown. . . . Walter M. Carwithen (Bucks court tipstaff) was elected a 33d degree Mason at a meeting in Columbus, Ohio (Sept. 28, 1938) and was slated for the coveted degree to be conferred at the next meeting of the Supreme Council of the Northern Jurisdiction of the United States, in Boston.

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# brugger's bucks



by Bob Brugger

(Editor's Note: We ran into Bob Brugger the other day—the real Bob, not a summer re-run! Bob told us he has been behind the stove at the Pipersville Inn for weeks. We at first thought he was hiding, as they do have a big stove, but he then informed us he was "Chef." He further informed us that after slaving over a hot stove all day and half the nite, he just couldn't get inspired to write something this month, and suggested we re-run this article on vacations he wrote for Panorama several years ago. He has promised to write something on the backs of old shopping lists between making soup and cooking steaks, before next month. In the meantime, if you're in the vicinity of Pipersville, stop in at the Inn and have "Chef Brugger" make you something fancy like.)

The man behind the cocktail bar was extremely friendly. Yes, we had a lovely room. Yes, we had been in the pool. No, unfortunately, we could only stay for one night. Shame, he said, there's lotsa things to see around here. Had we heard about New Hope and the Music Circus and Washington's Crossing . . . the place where Washington, George Washington, crossed the Delaware? Yes, we said, but, alas, we did have to leave in the morning. Where you from, he asked. Near Doylestown, we said. That's funny, he said, would we believe it there's a Doylestown here in Pennsylvania . . . right up the road! Yes, we would believe it, we said. We live there. He was obviously shaken but, then, I guess they don't get a lot of natives vacationing at the Howard Johnson Motel in Willow Grove.

When Pat and I *really* want to get away in the summer we head for the nearest air-conditioned motel with a pool. We have long since learned that "*getting there is half the headache*" and having been drenched by warm rain on a barren ski slope, Christmas at Lake Placid, and having almost perished in sub-freezing temperatures in Florida, we have sensibly planned our recent vacations to assure a minimum of disappointment.

On our last trip to Florida (36 payments ago) we spent an unusual night on Route 301, Nowhere, North Carolina, inspecting tobacco plantations on foot in a effort to find a wrench to replace the fan-belt that we lost if we could find a fan-belt. Out-of-state garages are always somewhere else, they never open until 8 the next morning and they always have to send in to Rocky Mount for the part you need. Next time we go to Florida, we're going to Rocky Mount, instead. The dickens with the palm trees, Rocky Mount's got parts!

Take cats. We left a mother with six kittens at the vet's during that vacation. Aside from the expense of such baby-sitting, we are convinced that we did not get our *own* six kittens back, a fact more than substantiated by their old lady who walked out on the whole kit and kaboodle ten minutes after we brought them home. Presumably, she, too, headed for Rocky Mount.

A vacation at the Colonial Village Motel in Danboro or the New Hope Motel eliminates the problem of boarding out animals and relatives or, worse yet, having the neighbors look in on them. (No neighbor ever just looked in . . . they look in *all over*!) From Danboro, you just come home, feed the tribe, and go back to the pool. If you think you left the kitchen tap running, it's only fifteen minutes from New Hope to find out. If you decide to live it up in style, your wife doesn't look for an expensive shop down the boardwalk . . . you drive her home and she (not always happily) slips into last year's evening gown. You are not bothered with cameras, traveller's cheques, road maps, Mothersill's pills or fellow-travellers who look at your license plate and want to know if you know their sister-in-law

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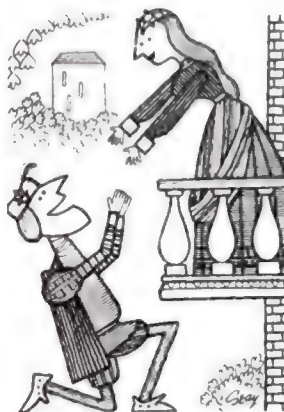
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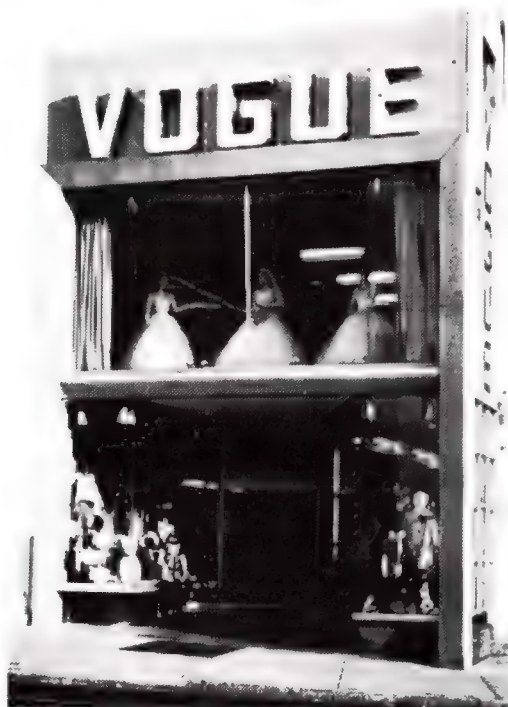
## brugger's bucks

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who lives in Pennsylvania, too . . . sixteen miles south of Erie . . . that's near Philly, isn't it?

There is no way home from anywhere fast enough to beat the post cards you forget to mail until the last day. And that's another reason for staying home. I have only received one truly original post card in my life and it came from Doylestown. It said, "Greetings: You have been classified 1-A". I have not read a post card since and I would have saved the government a lot of money if I had ignored that one. As far as writing post cards is concerned, I can think of no way more thoroughly guaranteed to ruin a vacation. We completely missed Virginia Beach one Saturday sending post cards home about it. By the time we had finished writing "wish you were here" the tide came in and it wasn't.

It is only March and already Bucks Countians are planning summer vacations out of this beautiful county! I used to wonder why they did it. Now I know. They leave in self-defense, not because they want to, but because they *have* to take pictures. They have to take pictures because their friends have already taken pictures and, believe me, it can be a long, hard winter if you don't have equal footage on the home-screen. A new organization has solved this problem. A professional photographer comes to your home and he takes a variety of pictures of you and the little woman in your backyard. Through a patented process these snapshots are super-imposed on background photographs of the Swiss Alps, the Grand Canyon and the Los Angeles Freeway. Without ever leaving home, you can get an unforgettable shot of your wife waving to you across the Berlin Wall. Bon Voyage! And don't forget to write.



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## THE FAMILY ALBUM



This month's family album is somewhat a departure from our regular format. Each year Little League Baseball gets bigger and bigger here in Bucks County, with more and more kids joining in the play. The "Danboro Dodgers," pictured above is one of the newer teams and this year won the Pinehickon Valley Baseball Club Championship. The team plays at Talley Field, Danboro, and won 14 games while losing only 2. The ages of the Little Leaguers are 10 to 12. Pictured above are, standing: Pete Ament (Coach), Denny Ament, John Rarig, Bill Gordon, Mike Ofner, Mike Wallis, Rick Linsenmaier. Kneeling: Allen Myers, Craig Seidel, Paul Bollinger, Bruce Seidel, Jeff Beans, Jimmy McLaughlin and Tommy Haldeman. Thanks to Orville W. Beans for the photo.



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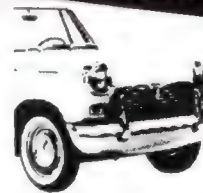
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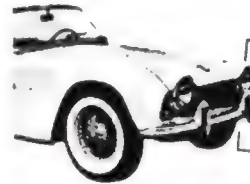
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### THREE TAVERNS

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there is a continuity of sound that reaches across the years, if not relationship.

In 1874 The Ship was sold to the Doylestown Improvement Company, which erected the Lenape building at the cost of \$50,000. The voters of Doylestown held their elections at the Ship Tavern until it was taken down.

The second, but not the least in importance, was known as the "Fox Chase," now the Fountain House, with a record reaching back over the years

under various names. It was part of the estate of one Richard Swanwick, who was accused of treason in the Revolution and had his property confiscated. It was purchased by Samuel and Joseph Flack in 1880. Samuel bought his brother's share and then sold out to John Shaw, who was an innkeeper. It is thought that Mr. Shaw built a house on the land and obtained a license to keep a tavern there.

The house was large, 76 feet in length and 30 wide, containing six rooms on the lower floor besides an entry. And ten rooms on the second floor; one was made large enough to accommodate parties, by throwing three other rooms separated by moveable partitions into one. This was known as the ballroom. Here the county Militia officers made a brilliant scene with their glittering epaulets and nodding plumes.

Not only did Mr. Shaw build a house, but among the out-buildings were two stone hay houses, a carriage house, sheds, stabling for sixty horses, and a large stone blacksmith and wheelwright shop. This may have been the site of the Fretz livery stable in later years, which I remember well, and more recently, the Hayman and Radcliff garage.

The house changed owners several times, with such names as Weirman, Brock, Meredith, Field and Mann. During the time that Isaac W. James was the owner it was called the "Doylestown Hotel." An addition was built making two-thirds of the building three stories high with a double Piazza.

During recent years the property has been much improved and the name changed to "The Fountain House." One of the interesting features of this inn is its constant rise in value. Just during the period from 1776 to 1900 there were amazing increases. From \$600 in 1776, the value increased to \$1,976 in 1883. The value jumped to

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For those seeking entertainment, there is much to find in Bucks County. Over at The Playhouse Inn in New Hope, for instance, Tom Reddy has been presenting musical revues each Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings in the main dining room. The revues are in the form of salutes to composers. Panorama visited The "Salute To Cole Porter" and caught (above) Tom Reddy and Shirley Dalvell onstage in a specialty number. Lois Leary and Edward Earle are also featured in the revues, which will continue on into the fall and winter months. (Panorama photograph by Kaplinski)

## Ann Hutton's Play A Hit

Bucks County writer and historian, Ann Hawkes Hutton's new play, "The Decision," based on her very successful book, has earned raves from all who attended the try-out at The Cherry Lane Playhouse in the Poconos.

The play is based on Mrs. Hutton's book, "House of Decision," and concerns George Washington at The Thompson-Neeley House at Washington Crossing Park.

Many attempts have been made over the years to produce a play about George Washington. All have failed. However, it looks like Mrs. Hutton's attempt may hit Broadway one of these days, bringing more interest to George Washington and our own Bucks County.

Mrs. Hutton was one of the driving forces behind the continuing restoration of Washington Crossing, and is presently Chairman of the active Bucks County Historical - Tourist Commission with headquarters at Fallsington — another project of the commission.

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Happiness is not given but exchanged.

## New Hope To Bring Back The 'Good 'Ole Days'.

A "Roaring Twenties" Street Fair sponsored by the New Hope Business Association for the benefit of the Eagle Fire Company of New Hope will be held Wednesday through Saturday, September 11th thru 14th. Official opening of the Fair will be 7:30 P.M., Wednesday evening the 11th with a "roaring twenties" Parade.

In an attempt to capture the nostalgia of the period, the Fair will be replete with a Flag Pole Sitter, Dance Marathon, Silent Flickers, and a "roaring twenties" Follies starring the incomparable Odette and a bevy of buxom beauties.

The Logan Inn will be turned into a "speak easy" and anyone wanting "bootleg hooch" is going to have to say "Joe sent me" — membership cards will be issued. Anyone caught on the premises without their card will be arrested by the local revenueurs. Elliott Ness has agreed to be head of the local enforcement agency.

The "Roaring Twenties" Street Fair promises to bring back all the memories of the 'good old days.' Remember the

dates — Wednesday, September 11th through Saturday September 14th — Open every night at 7:30.

## AUTUMN FAIR PLANNED

The annual Ladies of Mt. Carmel Autumn Fair will be held on September 27th and 28th at the church grounds in Doylestown. The Baby contest will be held Saturday, September 28th at 3 p.m. Panorama's Peggy Gehoe will be one of the judges for the contest.

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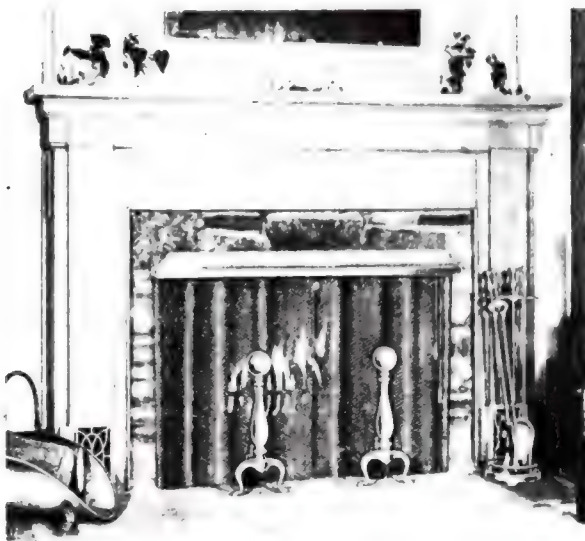
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# REMEMBER WHEN



A September scene of some years ago in Doylestown. The Doylestown Fair gets ready to open. (Photo courtesy Bucks County Historical Society.)

## Taverns

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\$3,500, \$8,000, and finally \$17,500 in 1879. It was worth \$22,300 in 1880, \$23,000 in 1883. Daniel McLaughlin purchased it for \$30,000 and in 1900 sold it to Joseph H. Fretz for \$65,000.

There are still folks in Doylestown who remember Mr. Francis Mireau. His name was almost synonymous with the Fountain House. He created an atmosphere of colonial and old world charm and elegance with cherished antiques. It has been said that he personally supervised the buying of food that was to be served from his kitchens. Henry Ford was known to have stopped there, as have many notable people. The cobbled courtyard is still reminiscent of horse-drawn carriages and gracious ladies. Fountain House is the sole remaining tavern at the crossroad junction. It is presently owned and operated by Mrs. George Slotter.

The Mansion House, the third and last of this group, occupying the site of the Gardy stationery store, southwest corner of State and Main streets, was probably built for a dwelling by Robert Magill, who lived on West State Street. Arabella Street bears the name of one of his daughters. The Mansion House, when built in 1806, was a story and a half or two stories high with a finished

basement. It is believed to have been enlarged in 1810 by William Magill, a son, after the new County Seat was fixed here. It was then changed to a tavern.

In 1834 it became the property of William Field, who later became sheriff. Samuel Buck succeeded Field for a couple of years. There were several other landlords of the Mansion House while it continued in license; among them were Zepp, Charlie Tucker, and Thomas Sands from Solebury. The last was Daniel Wilson, who was sold out by the sheriff in 1853. This house was Democratic Headquarters for several years. In a room facing State Street, the first telegraph in the county was set up and experimented with, about the first of January in 1846.

After the deaths of the Magills, father and son, the Mansion House was sold to William T. Eisenhart and Abraham L. Garron for \$6,500. The turn of events brought it into the possession of James S. Mann, who converted it into a bakery and restaurant. Except for these latter years and for one exception when Willoughby Shade kept a tin shop and stove store in it, it continued as a bakery.

And so, the "Ship Tavern" and the "Mansion House," around which throbbed much of the life and business of Doylestown in times past, have faded away into history. Only the Fountain House remains as a link with the past.



# Around The County



September 1963

It just doesn't seem possible that another summer is gone. Of course, we have the beauty that is autumn awaiting us as the frosts turn the beautiful green into an array of browns, yellows and reds. Football replaces baseball. School replaces vacation and summer jobs, and moms all over the county heave a sigh of relief as junior goes back to school. Woolens will soon be out of storage. New fall clothes. It all adds up to another exciting season here in Bucks County.

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A surprise visitor to the area last month was that "Heigh-de-Ho" man, CAB CALLOWAY. Cab came out of semi-retirement to pinch-hit for bandleader DUKE ELLINGTON at the Music Circus. The Duke had been called out of town suddenly, and Cab fronted the band, while he had the time of his life clowning and dancing under the big-top. A whole generation has grown up since Cab's retirement, and many of the young jazz fans didn't know who he was. It didn't take long to let them know. Near the end of the concert someone yelled "Hey Cab — let's hear Minnie the Moocher!" That's all he needed.

From then on, the crowd was his. Young and old alike answered his heigh-de-hos and Cab was off and running with the crowd following — each one wishing the night would never end.

Pleasant memories were recreated by some and a "new entertainer" was discovered by others. CAB CALLOWAY bridged several generations that nite showing once again that he is one of our great entertainers and showmen.

MEMO to St. John Terrell: How about a Cab Calloway nite on next year's schedule — or maybe even a week?

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The last show of the season at the Music Circus is "Springtime for Henry" starring Edward Everett Horton. It is, of course, not a musical, and therein lies a story. Twenty-five years ago, a young producer organized a theatre in New Hope — Bucks County Playhouse by name. The first show was to be a large production, lavish in every detail and the "name star" signed for the lead was Mr. Horton. As opening nite grew closer, many of the backers of the show got nervous, and funds were withdrawn. Without funds, the big lavish opening production couldn't go on. The young producer, St. John Terrell, was starting to panic and went through play catalogs until he found a very funny play that hadn't been done in some time. He sent the script to Mr. Horton, who loved it. The play had three characters, little scenery changes, and fit into the budget. The play opened at the Playhouse and was a success. Mr. Horton has been playing the role ever since all over the country, and has become identified with the play. To celebrate Mr. Terrell's 25 years as a producer, Mr. Horton was asked to recreate the role that not only saved the Playhouse and started St. John Terrell on the road to success as a producer, but also has given Mr. Horton a trademark. Thus, the last show of this season at the Music Circus will be Edward Everett Horton in "Springtime for Henry," recreating some Bucks County history of 25 years ago.

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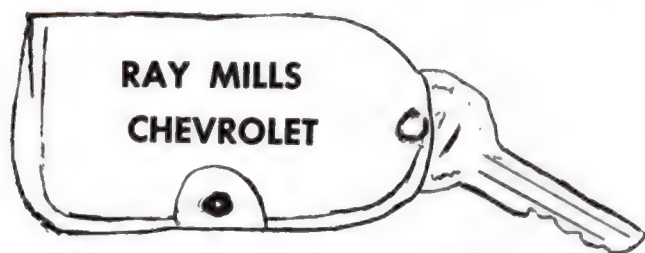
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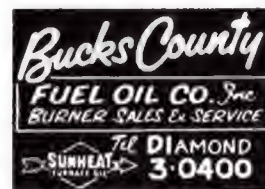
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tant, according to Chief Registration Clerk CLAUDE L. KERN, electors may register at the County Office in the Bucks County Administration Building, 2nd floor, Broad and Court sts., Doylestown, daily from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday, September 14 until 12 noon — legal holidays excepted. The county office will also be open on the evenings of Sept. 4, 6, 11, 13 and 16 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Monday, Sept. 16, is the LAST DAY for registration to be eligible to vote at the municipal election, Nov. 5th.

Eight games are on the 1963 football schedule for Delaware Valley College of Science and Agriculture, five at home and three away. The 1962 team won three and lost five, but Head Coach BOB CHIODI is looking for a better record this year, with the opening game scheduled with Gallaudet College, of Washington, D. C., at home, Sept. 28, with Boy Scouts as guests. The balance of the schedule is as follows: Oct. 5, District of Columbia Teachers College, at home; Oct. 12, King's College (Penna.), homecoming game at home; Oct. 19, Drexel Tech, in Philadelphia; Oct. 26, Albright College, away; Nov. 2, C. W. Post College, at home, Parents' Day; Nov. 9, Wilkes College, at home; Nov. 15, Millersville State College, at home. All home games will begin at 1:30 p.m.

Former Panorama Art Director GEORGE MATTHEWS was home on leave from The U. S. Air Force last month. Doylestown's BRUCE ERCLENA, also with the Air Force, headed back to duty after a leave that included a broken leg and some hospital time. We guess the country is safe again, now that they are back at work.

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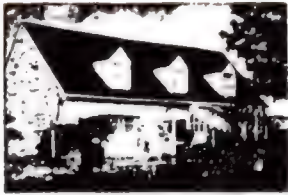
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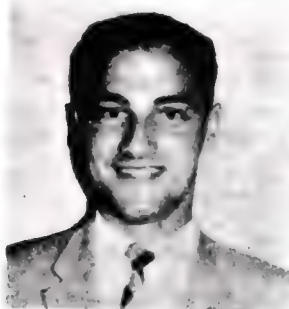


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Many persons in the county remember GERALD FOSBENNER, former editor of the Quakertown Free Press, and now pastor of the Nazarene Church in Lewiston, Idaho. We understand, under Gerald's guidance, the church has grown to be the largest in the area. Gerald recently underwent an operation, but is back on duty again. Keep up the fine work!

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### New Signs

The Bucks County Historical-Tourist Commission has been quite active lately, helping tourists and natives alike to find and visit Bucks County's many historical shrines and places of interest. They have combined three previous booklets into one complete "Highways of History" booklet, showing location, directions and historical information on 128 interesting places to visit in our beautiful county. A brief history of the county is included. The booklets are free and are available at most restaurants or may be had by writing the Bucks County Historical-Tourist Commission, Fallsington, Bucks County, Pa. ANN HAWKES HUTTON is Chairman of this important local group.

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Another date to remember is the Bucks County ANTIQUE DEALERS' Antique Show to be held next month at The Key Rolerena, in Cross Keys, Doylestown. The show offers dolls, glass, jewelry, 18th century art, country furniture, china and all the things that have made this show so successful in the past. Mark the dates down so you won't forget—October 15, 16 and 17. See you there.

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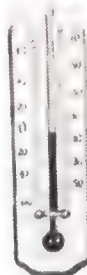
"Doc Sam" and Libby WIL-LARD are co-chairmen for this month's dance at the Doylestown Country Club on September 21.



Mike...pace setter

New Hope's MIKE ELLIS has pulled off another "first." Many persons in the area will remember his play last season, "The Advocate." It opens in New York in October at the ANTA Theater. Westinghouse Broadcasting Co. has purchased the TV rights and will televise it to their network of five stations at the same time it's on Broadway. Mike got Westinghouse to put up 60% of the money to back the show. "The Advocate" stars Bucks County Playhouse favorite JAMES DALY. Leave it to MIKE ELLIS to attempt something new. If it proves successful, it should open a whole new world of TV entertainment. (Unfortunately, we in this area won't be able to see it, as the Westinghouse stations are in Pittsburgh, Boston, Cleveland, Baltimore and San Francisco.)

PANORAMA is happy to announce, effective this month, Panorama Publications, Inc., will be printing "The Spokesman", the official publication of The Philadelphia Region, Sports Car Club of America. ROGER CONDUIT is the new editor. This will be the fourth publication published by Panorama Publications. The others are



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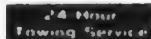
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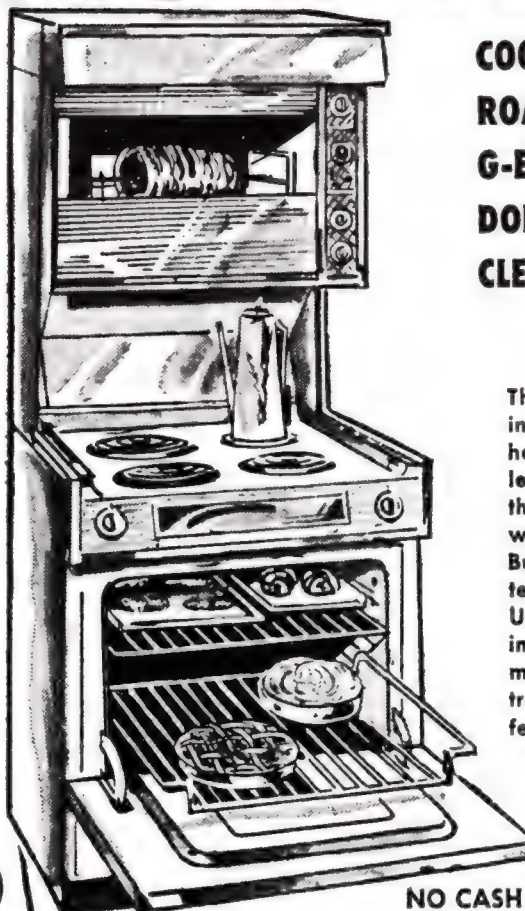
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## LETTERS...

Dear Dick,

Your editorial on Goldwater came just as I finished his book, "Why Not Victory?" (having read "Conscience of a Conservative" some year or so ago). I would add that with one major exception I agreed with the majority of the Senator's ideas for winning the "Cold War," and especially agreed with his belief that we should greatly step up our information campaign, and make it a major part of our attack on Communism, and his idea that our foreign aid should be tied to the extent nations desiring it are willing to stand with us on basic points in the world struggle against dictatorship, Communism, and the unjust use of force or/and subversion.

At the same time, I can not accept his concept expressed in "Conscience" that the states should be left alone to handle their own problems, not only for the reasons in my "letter" as concerns the children of the South, but because I believe in democracy, and can not see how anyone who professes to hate dictatorship in other lands, as Senator Goldwater does, can allow almost one-half of the population of one of our states to be denied the right to vote due to their skin color (as in Mississippi), or another state to have only 15% of its TOTAL population vote, (as in Virginia under Byrd) due to many factors making it difficult for the average person to register and later cast his ballot. Federal aid is absolutely needed to insure free elections in Mississippi, and only after such aid can we talk about letting a state run its own affairs, since now this really means a small minority of the possible voters of a state (a fraction, to be exact).

In any case, one thing I did not see in "Victory" was a way to cut taxes. Ways to better spend funds in the world struggle against the Communists, yes, but a number of the ideas he has might well cost us more than what we are now doing, it seems to me.

Norman Kilpatrick

Prosperity is something you feel, fold and send to the the Internal Revenue.

Dear Mr. Alliger:

Thank you very much for your kind words about my play "The Decision" in your current issue of Panorama.

I do hope that it will carry its message of heritage and patriotism on to Broadway. We shall see! If it does, I shall hope to see you there in the front row!

With appreciation and warm good wishes,

Ann Hawkes Hutton  
Bristol, Pa.

Gentlemen:

Enjoy your magazine, PANORAMA very much, especially your photos of historic places. More pictures, please. Enclosed is my subscription renewal.

Wm. C. Russell  
Taylors, S. C.

Dear Mr. Alliger:

The September issue of Panorama just at hand and full of interest for me, as always.

My interests still lie in beautiful Bucks County, and your magazine keeps it alive.

Kindest wishes for future success.

— Josephine H. Long  
Washington, D. C.

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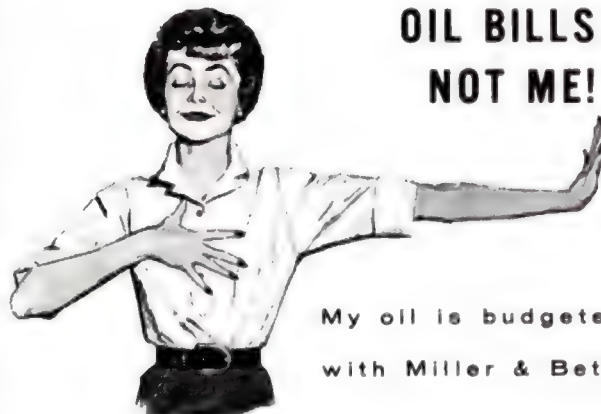
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## Rambling with Russ

by

A. Russell Thomas

### LET'S KEEP OUR 'MINOR' COURTS

PART OF the proposal made by a study committee of the Pennsylvania Bar Association includes recommendations for a complete revamping of the state's judicial system via constitutional revision. And part of this revamping calls for abolishing the offices of alderman and justice of the peace.

According to the study committee, justices of the peace and aldermen would be replaced by district judges, "learned in the law", who would serve a four-year term by appointment of the judges of the Court of Common Pleas.

As many folks have said, we don't have anything against anybody who is "learned in the law", nor would we even suggest that the Judges of the Common Pleas Courts in this state would be partisan or partial in their selection of district judges. It's just that we think the world has had too much of too many experts and not enough of wisdom to suit us.

And, when it comes to a good backyard, barnyard fight, it will probably take more than "learning in the law" to keep old friends and neighbors from taking the rashest kind of actions and making fools of themselves.

I think that's where the old J. P. or alderman comes in, for so many times it is his good office which keeps neighborhood squabbles and personal enemies from burdening the already crowded calendars of our county and higher courts. Admittedly, men and women get elected by their neighbors to posts of J. P.'s or aldermen who do not have a sufficient background to prepare legal transcripts or other pertinent materials for the higher courts. But to throw out the window, posts which have stood the test of time to insert by appointment men and women "learned in the law" seems to us to too narrowly define the duties and obligations of the office.

Certainly, we believe that some revisions are necessary. We have been covering court trials, minor and higher courts for more than 40 years, and we would advocate most strenuously that new definitions of qualifications for office should be established for the minor judiciary, including completion of specified courses on legal procedure and court documents. However, we are not about to leap on the bandwagon for a plan which seems to us to establish a kind of apprenticeship office for members of the Bar, especially when they are fresh from law school, not established, and in need of an income.

As a newspaper acquaintance of mine pointed out, what seems to be overlooked is that the minor judiciary is "minor" only in relationship to its position in the scale of courts established in this state. The office of justice of the peace is a very important office to fill and we wish that it would be upgraded by the voters and the member of the Bar.

But let us not in our efforts to be "modern" confuse legal knowledge with justice, learning with wisdom. Too many "experts" have a way of ruining the common broth of humanity which is on trial each day in every community in this state. And it is our humanity which we believe it is best to preserve, legally and otherwise.

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THE MINOR Judiciary system is the Pennsylvania citizen's first recourse to the wheels of justice and it costs the taxpayer nothing to maintain. It has been this way historically. The justice of the peace system has been with Pennsylvania in one form or another since the days of William Penn way back in 1682.

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JUSTICE OF the Peace Walter Scheetz, of Riegelsville,  
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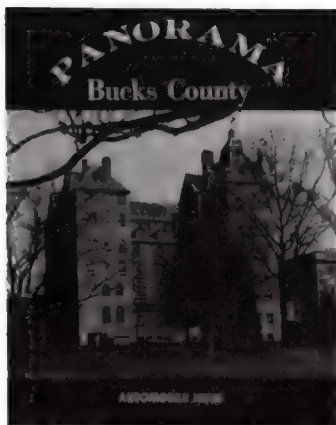
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## OUR COVER



This month we feature one of the USA's most unusual buildings, which contains the world's most unusual museum collection of "Tools of The Nationmakers" — The Mercer Castle on Pine Street. That's a lot of superlatives to describe a familiar sight in the Bucks County Seat, but it is true! If you've never visited this fascinating place you have missed much. (Panorama photo by Kaplinski)

## ANOTHER STEP FORWARD

This month Panorama takes another step forward. Our newest change is the addition of the glossy paper on which we are now printed. This will be the case from now on.

One other change that should be noted is the center spread of this issue. Color. This is the first time color has been used inside the magazine. Doylestown automobile dealer Ray Mills is the forward looking businessman who is responsible for this "first". He felt the best way to introduce his 1964 line of Chevrolet automobiles is with a color advertisement in Panorama. Thus, we start the fall season of 1963 off with two more firsts . . . a far cry from our first issue many years ago. Thanks to Ray and our many loyal readers and advertisers whose continued support makes these improvements possible.

## A HOPE FOR THE FUTURE

During the next few weeks we will all be hearing much about "Project 70". You may already be familiar with it, or it may just be a name, but it is of vital importance to you, your children and the future of Pennsylvania.

"Project 70" is the name of a plan to acquire land for parks, for fish and wildlife conservation and the development of recreation areas all over our vast state.

You will be asked to vote on this vital plan in November's election. We urge you to learn all you can about this project and vote "yes" in November.

In this issue, W. Atlee Burpee has written an article that explains what "Project 70" is, and how it will benefit you, your children and future generations. We hope you will read this important article. Discuss it with your friends. The time to act is now!

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## Around The County



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Ah - football weather, Scenic Bucks County a blaze of colors - Halloween just around the corner, and (yes, it's true), Christmas just a calendar page or two away. We saw CHARLIE BRINKER smiling the other day, so we know Fuel Oil must be selling well. MONTE BETHMAN and BOB MILLER put in a new tank, Nyce's put on a new service department, and HARRY KRALICK just keeps chuckling. Guess it will be a cold winter indeed!

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Local Political Hero ALAN WILLIAMS no longer gets third billing, after Messrs. EASTBURN and GRAY in their law firm. Now he's out on his own, with offices just up the street from where E, G & W were located. We have maintained for some time, this is a man to watch, politically, and we still mean it. Now that PAUL BECKERT'S days are numbered in the party, and the United Republicans seem to have collapsed, the only strong "name" left is that of Mr. Williams. Let's watch and see what happens. Maybe a "dark horse" will rise up from the GOP ranks - who knows? In the meantime, Mr. Williams has everything under control.

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DON'T LOOK NOW, but, according to the State Highway Department, work on Route 313 between Ridge Road and Quakertown is due to start in November. Work on Route 309 in the Quakertown area should be complete by now, Route 611, we are told, should have two lanes completed between Doylestown and the County Line before winter sets in. York Road in Warminster should be finished by the time this appears in print. Heavens, if they fix all of our roads, whatever will we gripe about. Quick, readers, send in your gripe list, so we can be ready. We never like to be caught with our gripes down.

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Our good friend, JOHN CROWLEY, general manager of The Bucks County Playhouse for the past thirteen years will repeat his role of Capt. Falcone he played in the New Hope tryout of "The Advocate", when the show opens on the 14th of this month on Broadway. MIKE ELLIS is producing the show.

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Thanks to H. H. EDDOWS, Editor and Publisher of "The Loud Speaker" for sending us his publication. We quote one of his witticisms from the paper - "If you eat fresh vegetables for 73 years you can be sure of one thing - you won't die young!" True - True!

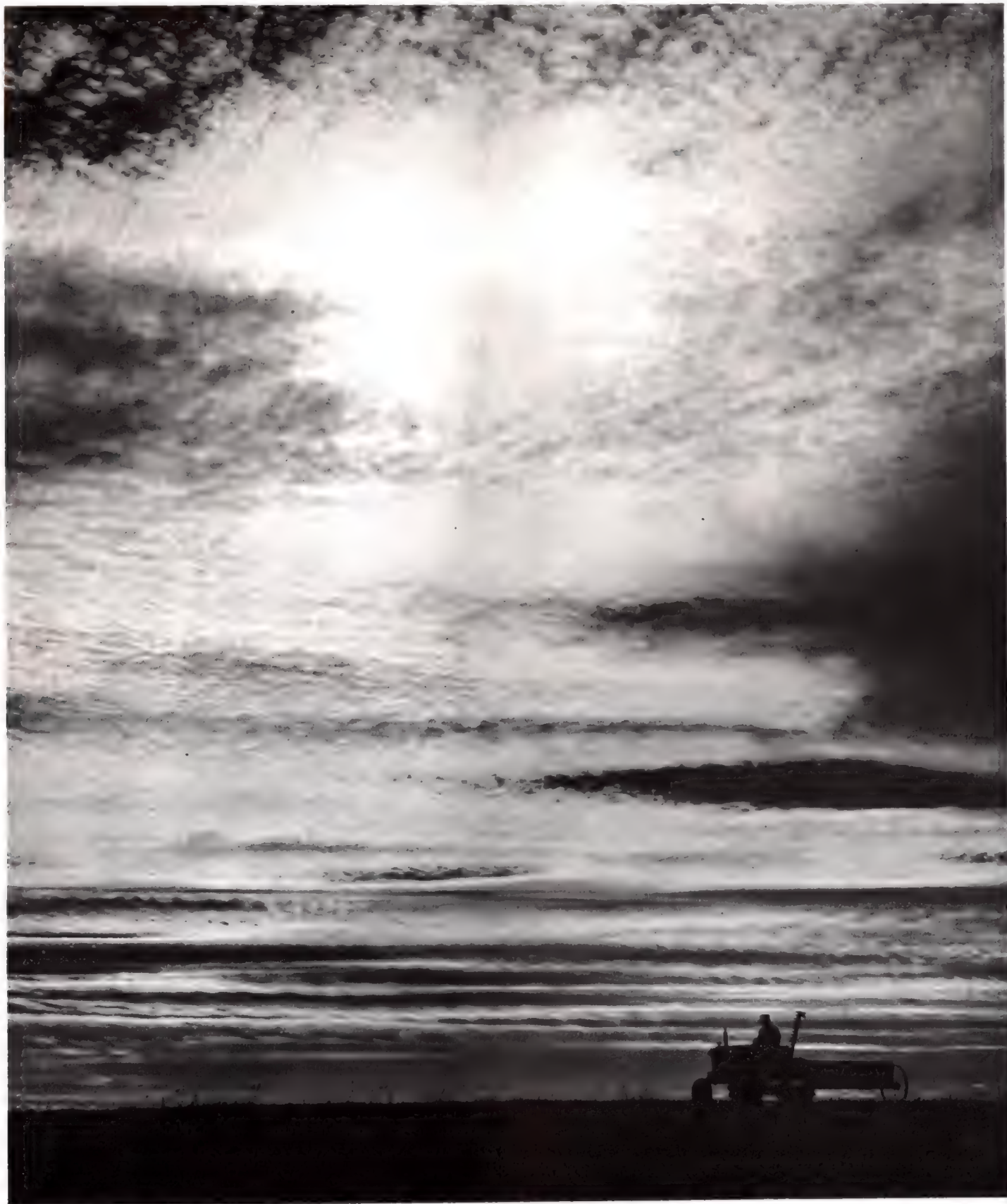
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Our thanks to BOB FRETZ of WNPV Radio News, of Lansdale, for having your editor as a guest on one of his recent programs. Bob and your editor worked together in radio some years back, and it was fun to share a mike again. Also visited with Point Pleasant's STU MONTGOMERY on the air on his WNPV show. We are fortunate indeed to have such a modern, well equipped radio station in our back yard. They do a wonderful job broadcasting local news. The dial setting for WNPV is 1440.

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# THIS IS BUCKS COUNTY!



*The Bucks County fall harvest at sunset is captured beautifully in this Panorama. Photo by Robert Beese*





by

W. Atlee Burpee

## *Pennsylvanias answer to our growing need for Open Space -- Park Lands, Recreational Areas, etc. Project 70 is up to you!*

Perhaps only once in a generation comes a chance for bold positive action to shape the destinies of ourselves and future generations. Such a chance is "Project 70". This project is the result of the thoughts, observations and research of a group of dedicated and far-seeing men. To us it is even more; it is a call for action.

In brief, we as voters will have the opportunity in November to vote for a plan to save much of the Pennsylvania

we admire and love. A bond issue of \$70 million is proposed to be spent before 1970 (hence the name). The money is all for land acquisition, and would be allocated as follows: \$40 million for land to develop a series of regional parks accessible to the people living in densely populated urban areas; \$20 million for open space and smaller parks within local municipalities, available in all counties; \$10 million for fish and wildlife conservation, and

preservation of historic sites.

At first glance the amount seems enormous. Couldn't we acquire this land a little at a time, as we need it, and spread out the cost? Probably not, for once the forest is cut over and bulldozed out it can never be replaced, and once the stream and ground water is polluted or diverted, it can rarely be restored. And once an historic building is razed it cannot be rebuilt — not really, for even with many times the initial cost

we would only be looking at a facsimile.

In this state we are blessed with many natural resources, much of which were ruthlessly exploited in the past. Working with known reserves and present rates of consumption engineers have presented us with chilling figures to prove we must begin intelligent conservation. Why have we assumed up until now that these blessings would always be ours?

Perhaps our accelerated liv-

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ing patterns are balanced by shorter working hours with more time for leisure. More leisure means more time for recreation, and this in turn points to the need for more unspoiled areas where we can follow our diverse interests. Stop and think of how many of our favorite spots are despoiled or have disappeared—that special fishing hole, the bit of woods where the wildflowers and birds abounded, the view from the cliff looking up the valley. Now there is a tangle of barbed wire and trash in the water, a new factory discharging waste there, a new housing development with a wide road slicing through the countryside here. If it is happening so fast to us here and now, what will be left tomorrow and the years after that? We can still preserve much of our heritage if we act now to acquire the land. The sum required even ten years from now will be astronomical. It will be so much more economical to do it now, for land costs have been climbing and leaping steadily upward.

Even now we would realize a tremendous bonus on this expenditure, for if we initiate this program now, federal aid up to 30% is available to supplement land acquisition on regional parks, and up to 20% on community parks under Federal

Open Space Grants. These funds must be matched on the local level, which means that our money will go twice as far. Let us examine some additional benefits which are not as obvious as those already mentioned. Some of the park and open space sites would be purchased along streams, ensuring purity of water. Or dams could be built which would mean many benefits to all — flood control downstream, more and better fishing, water sports of all kinds, and most important, water supply and storage. With the growing public awareness of the importance of water and its growing scarcity, this feature alone may well be worth the expenditure. The supply of water will be the key to all future development, both residential and industrial. In this area the Neshaminy Valley Watershed Association has done an excellent job in supplying information to the public.

Further, when ample good water is available and living conditions are attractive, then industry will follow. No longer do people endure substandard living to remain with industry. The old formula has been reversed.

Another benefit will be to the vacation and tourist business. It is surprising to learn that this business is the second

largest in the state. We have many such attractions in Bucks County, but in order to remain attractive these areas and sites must either be restored or maintained in top condition.

Then there are the three national parks to be established and developed in Pennsylvania. Land acquisition under "Project 70" will enable us to take full advantage of the reservoirs to be built as the focal points of these parks by expanding the recreational areas in connection with them. The locations are near Warren on the Allegheny River, near Raystown on the Juniata River, and at Tocks Island, north of Easton, on the Delaware River. It will be seen that these parks are so situated that any one of them can be reached by the citizens of Pennsylvania within a few hours drive.

Everyone of us would benefit directly or indirectly from this proposed program — increased business which in turn snowballs into increased incomes and tax revenues, increased recreational facilities of all kinds and sizes, assurance of ample water, preservation of historic and scenic sites, upgrading of both urban and suburban neighborhoods by the addition of parks and open spaces, and increased fish and wildlife.

The general election in November will pose this question on the ballot:

"Shall Article Nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania be amended by adding a new section to permit creating debt and issuing bonds to the amount of seventy million dollars (\$70,000,000) for acquisition of land for state parks, reservoirs and other conservation, recreation and historical preservation purposes and for participation by the Commonwealth with political subdivisions in acquisition of land for any such purposes under conditions and limitations prescribed by the General Assembly?"

On the county level, plans are well along to take advantage of the stirring "Project 70". We hope enough of the voters have seen the handwriting on the wall, and will accept the challenge of our age.



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# Was It Murder For Charlie Ross?

by  
Helen Rowe

One of the nation's  
first kidnapping cases  
and the  
Bucks County clue!

Four-year-old Charlie Brewster Ross was playing on the walk in front of his Washington Lane estate on the evening of July 1, 1874. He was shouting something to his six-year-old brother Walter when a buggy creaked up alongside of him.

"Want some candy, boys?" The man next to the driver, extended an open palm.

Charlie looked up and smiled and took the candy. Walter just stared.

"Want to go buy some fire-crackers?" The man brushed off candy crumbs from his hands and smiled warmly.

Walter thought a moment, then said, "Alright, sir, if we won't be gone too long, it's near dinner time."

The two boys scrambled into the buggy. The driver cracked his whip and the wheels turned. The buggy creaked slowly eastwards on Washington Lane. A neighbor, Miss Mary Kidder looked up and saw them go by.

She was the last person ever to see Charlie Ross.

The search crossed continents in the first great ransom kidnapping case ever to rock the world.

Walter was let out of the buggy and returned home. Charlie was whisked away into oblivion.

For days a panicky father hounded police precincts. Houses, taverns, wharves were searched. But no Charlie Ross.

Who would take the boy, Mr. Ross asked himself. Why would anyone steal the child queried the police. Taking a child as a means of extorting money was unheard of.

Two days later the criminal act of kidnapping for ransom was discovered by a shocked world. A note arrived to Mr. Ross asking for \$20,000. Offers of financial assistance poured into the Ross family, but they were advised by the police not to pay it. A successful adventure of that kind would start a precedent for subsequent kidnappings for money.

Mr. Ross withheld, following every direction in the string of notes to come except surrendering the money. The planned meetings never evolved. After a heart-breaking year of efforts, the two criminals were apprehended in a house-breaking theft on Long Island. But both were shot and died before they could do more than confess they had kidnapped Charlie Ross.

The search for Charlie Ross, however, didn't wane for many, many years later. The Rosses received letters and photos from all over the world. But the local papers gave the most credence to a discovery made in Bucks County.

On July 1, 1880 the Newtown Enterprise wrote:

"During six years innumerable lost boys and Charlie Rosses have been produced, but the latest and perhaps the strongest clew to the whereabouts of the kidnapped child has just come to light. . . ."

The incident occurred in Hartsville. A farmer was walking along the road from Doylestown when he passed a young boy of about ten. He had fair hair and blue eyes and a city-look about him. His hands were small and smooth and his language and manners refined.

"Heigh-ho my boy," commented the farmer, "it's a hot day to be tramping over a dusty road."

"Yes, sir, it is. But it is my only means of getting from one city to another."

"Where do you hail from?" asked the farmer studying the boy's features.

"From Philadelphia originally, though I've just come from Doylestown today."

"Where do your parents live?"

The boy hesitated a moment. "I do not know where my parents live. I have not seen them in a long time. Now I cannot call to mind their faces . . . or where I saw them last." The boy pushed a stone around with one foot. "You see, sir, I lived with an aunt in Philadelphia. For a long time she kept me locked up in a second story room and would never let me go out. She taught me how to read and write and always let me have plenty of books to read." The boy sighed. "I can just recall a man that used to come to see me every night for a long time. Who he was, I never knew. My aunt always said he was my benefactor . . . but he stopped coming all of a sudden."

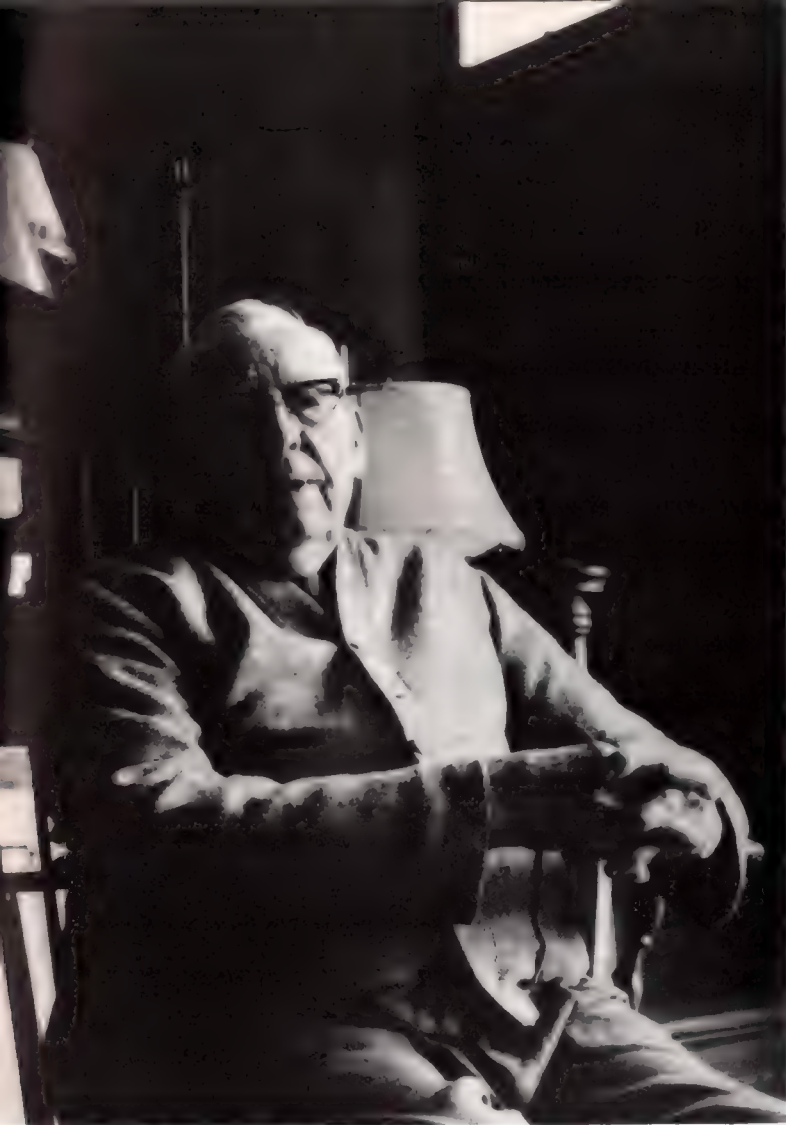
The farmer licked his lips with excitement. He had been town constable six years ago and knew all about the Ross case.

"Where does your aunt live?"

"On Front Street in Philadelphia."

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## Bucks County's Living Legend

# Edward Redfield

by  
Chris Carr

Three miles beyond New Hope is a mecca for art lovers. It is, however, a world apart from that of the abstractionist, the cubist, the modernist. It is the world of a living legend, of a warm, vital individualist, of an artist and a man of nature. It is the world of Edward Redfield.

The 94-year-old artist lives in a fine old Pennsylvania stone house overlooking the canal and his beloved Delaware River. From the huge window in his studio-gallery, he has a vista of a world that has changed very little in sixty years, of a world of nature and creativity.

When Edward Redfield came to Center Bridge in 1898, it was a lawless country village. Redfield was the first of a long line of artists to settle in the area and has been credited with the founding of a Bucks Co. "school of painting." The artist denies that any such school existed.

He came to Bucks County, he says, not for the beauty of the countryside, but because this was a place where an independent, self-sufficient man could make a living from the land, bring up a family and still have the freedom to paint as he saw fit.

Soon other talented men were settling in the area, William Lathrop, Daniel Garber, Frank English, Sloan Bredin, Morgan Colt, Robert Spencer and others, but this was not planned and there was no real attempt to form a colony. Few of these men even knew each other before coming to the area. The closest thing to an art center, Redfield relates, was the Phillips Mill community.

William Lathrop was encouraged to settle at Phillips Mill by Dr. George Marshall and through the efforts of Lathrop and his wife, the Mill became a social and cultural center for many of the artists nearby. Mrs. Lathrop, who was English, opened her home for afternoon tea and intellectual discussion. Paintings were exhibited in the nearby gallery, and dances and musicales were frequently held.

Redfield, however, was not an active participant in the gatherings at the Mill. While not adverse to congenial company, he was busy trying to support a growing family and make up for what he considered many lost years.

Born in Bridgeville, Delaware in 1869, Redfield spent

his boyhood years in the Tioga section of Philadelphia. His father, a produce merchant and nurseryman, instilled in his son a love for nature and the miracle of growing things. This was a knowledge which helped to sustain the young man through an even greater love, that of painting.

When he was seven, young Redfield had his first showing. His drawing of a cow grazing on the flatlands near his home, was entered in a competition for school children at the Centennial Exposition in 1876. The boy and his father attended the Exposition to see the drawing.

Redfield had been drawing for as long as he could remember. His father, despite his desire to have his son follow him in the business, encouraged his interest and helped him to develop it. The boy was sent, for example, to a little Turnverin class in Camden where he learned to copy lithographs and engravings.

Later he attended Spring Garden Institute and the Franklin Institute, but his goal was the select Academy of Fine Arts. After special tutoring and a series of one hour sessions using charcoal and oils, samples of his work were accepted and he was enrolled at the Academy.

Redfield spent the next five years at the Academy. The philosophy of Thomas Eakins was being carried on by his students. Later Thomas Hovenden joined the faculty and between the teacher and student, there arose a friendship and mutual respect.

Redfield made other close friends at the Academy too. Robert Henri often spent the weekend at his parents' home. In his daily walk from Alleghany Avenue to the Academy, a frequent companion was Alexander Sterling Calder, son of a sculptor and a fine sculptor himself.

Although he hadn't found a specialty at the Academy, Redfield was inclined toward portraiture. In pursuing this study, he traveled to Paris in the company of a group of his Academy friends, Henri, Calder, Charles Graftly, William Trego and others.

Redfield enrolled at the Academie Julien, at that time the most famous atelier in Paris. The Academie was owned by Julien, a former street acrobat and weight lifter, and the studio consisted of large empty rooms

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# VOGUE

## 'FASHION OF THE MONTH'



A new dress and a new car for Vogue Shoppe's lovely Jewel Renner. Since the fashion trend for fall dictates the "sporty look in dressy clothes", Jewel selects this Nan Wynn original for her new dress. It combines a black velvet, long tight sleeved blouse with an all wool, bell shaped plaid skirt. The colors of the plaid are autumn gold, rust and black. Priced at \$25.00. To be found at the VOGUE SHOPPE of Doylestown and Perkasio.

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## RAMBLING WITH RUSS

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president of the Pennsylvania Magistrates' Association, is vitally interested in keeping our minor judiciary in tact, with perhaps a few changes, and so are other fine public servants that we know, including Justice of the Peace Clayton Lewis, Doylestown, and a new minor judiciary member, former Bristol police chief Linford Jones. Many others are interested, too, including Doylestown's O. L. (Jim) Beland, who is a trained candidate for office at the November election on the Democratic ticket.

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### OUR MAGISTRATES PAY THEIR OWN WAY.

Through fines and costs, the people who break the law pay nearly all the money that maintains the justice of the peace system. The magistrate is paid whether the accused is found guilty or innocent. It is not necessary to find the accused guilty in order that the magistrate be paid. If the accused is found innocent the county pays the costs.

More than \$1,000,000 is turned over to the State and the local municipalities each year by magistrates, with practically no cost to the taxpayer. Other millions are saved for the taxpayer through cases that do not go to court. In one county alone, the minor judiciary recently heard or settled 17,167 motor vehicle code cases in one year. They collected \$37,155.50 for the State and \$94,396.50 for the city, boroughs and townships. All this was done at no cost to the taxpayer, and a fixed fee of \$5.00 for each case. Less than one-half of one percent of these cases were referred to the Common Pleas Court of the county.

During the same period and in the same county, the minor judiciary heard approximately 2,000 criminal cases, only 15 percent of which were returned for court action. In civil matters involving sums not exceeding \$500, these magistrates and aldermen heard 2,500 cases, with only 2 percent going on to higher courts.

**NOW HEAR THIS!** Every magistrate replaced by a Community Court, as suggested by the Bar Association, would mean a minimum cost to the taxpayer of approximately \$12,000. Minimum! The suggestion is one Community Court to every 7,000 people. Figure it out for Bucks County! How many "Courts" at a minimum of \$12,000 per court, would you need? This money would be spent for salary, rental, secretaries' wages, court clerks' wages and the like.

These so-called Courts would be 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Motorists apprehended after 5 p.m. would most likely rest in jail until morning. Never forget, locally elected justices of the peace and aldermen play a vital role in our democratic establishment.

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**IT IS ADMITTED BY THE LEGAL PROFESSION** that through the system of local administration of justice there is expediency, reduced cost, and a more wholesome, better system than one administered solely from the County Seat or through scattered and remote offices.

Justices and aldermen are the closest representatives of the people. It is the local office of the minor judiciary to which people are willing to come to settle their differences. In fact many of the cases that clutter up our county court here in Bucks County could be heard and disposed of by the minor judiciary.

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**ALONG WITH** Bosa Nova, night harness racing, and singing Along with "Mitch", one of the forms of recreation now indulged in by a vocal minority in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is "Get The Magistrates". "Throw them out" is the cry, and replace them with Community Courts, staffed by lawyers. Well, as one friend of mine put it, "the lawyers know the law, but the Squire knows the people." The justices and magistrates provide a service which could be replaced only at the cost of hundreds of thousands of dollars . . . and one more of our BASIC LIBERTIES.



# PLAIN and FANCY COOKING

Harriet Fox, Woman's Page Editor

## Corn Crisp Cooking - It's The Latest!

Adds New Flavor  
To Old Favorites

### Corn-Crisped Hamburgers

Everyone's talking about the latest corn-crisped cooking! Not only is it easy to do, but it adds new flavor and texture to old meat favorites. Please your family by preparing CORN-CRISPED HAMBURGERS.

Ground lean beef is mixed with evaporated milk, corn flake crumbs, onion and spices. The evaporated milk binds the mixture together and provides extra nourishment. The onion and spices give them a wonderful zest.

The patties are shaped and dipped into a seasoned evaporated milk mixture. Then they are rolled in a flaky crumb mixture.

Now for another surprise! Tiny hollows are pressed into the top of each. These are filled with tangy chili sauce, catsup, pickle relish or any one of your favorite condiments. Then the hamburgers are baked on a shallow pan lined with aluminum foil. No shortening is needed and there will be no pans to scour.

Everyone loves CORN-CRISPED HAMBURGERS—be it teenager, oldster or youngster. Why not surprise your family with CORN-CRISPED HAMBURGERS tonight?



### CORN-CRISPED HAMBURGERS MEAT MIXTURE

- 1-lb. ground lean Beef
- 1/2 cup Evaporated Milk
- 1/3 cup Corn Flake Crumbs
- 1/4 cup finely cut Onion
- 1 teasp. Salt
- 1/4 teasp. Pepper

### DIPPING MIXTURE

- 1/2 cup Evaporated Milk
- 2 Tablesp. bottled Mustard
- 1 Tablesp. Worcestershire Sauce
- 1 cup Corn Flake Crumbs

### FILLING:

- 1/2 cup Catsup, Chili Sauce or Pickle Relish

Mix meat mixture and shape into 8 patties, 1 inch thick. Dip in a mixture of evaporated milk, mustard and Worcestershire Sauce. Roll in mixture of corn flake crumbs and Accent. Place in a shallow baking pan lined with foil. Make hollows, 1/2 inch deep and 1 inch wide, in tops of patties. Fill with catsup, chili sauce or pickle relish. Bake in 375 oven (high moderate) about 25 minutes. Serves 4.

plant, orchids, cardinal flower, climbing fern, and many others.

The Wherry Fern Trail is devoted to the native ferns of Pennsylvania, of which there are about 80. Most of these fern species are now well established on this trail and present a perfect "outdoor classroom" for their study and identification.

The Medicinal Trail is concerned primarily with plants that have or have had medicinal uses. Here can be found the ginseng, goldenseal, twinleaf, wild ginger and mayapple but to mention a few.

Elsewhere in the Preserve, interesting, unusual or rare plants can be seen such as jewel shooting-star, blue-eyed-mary, crested iris, spring larkspur and box huckleberry. The last mentioned plant is a small shrub found only in 5 states besides Pennsylvania. The box huckleberry now in the Preserve came from the original colony in central Pennsylvania that is estimated to be about 13,000 years old.

One of the important facets of the Preserve is that it affords opportunity to determine the desires of certain difficult plants such as the fringed gentian. A recent experiment has proved successful in establishing this plant in a localized area. This experimental work takes on a great significance as civilization continues to push deeper into the quiet haunts of various native plants, threatening their very existence in Pennsylvania.

## State Wildflower Preserve

**Bowman's Hill  
State Wild Flower Preserve**  
Washington Crossing Park  
Pennsylvania

Along Pidcock Creek in historic Washington Crossing Park in Pennsylvania is an area of 100 acres known as Bowman's Hill State Wild Flower Preserve, the maintenance and perpetuation of which is assured by legislative authority. Horticultural management is sponsored by the Conservation Council of Eastern Pennsylvania and so recognized by the Washington Crossing Park Commission. As-

sistance and support have been given to the Preserve by Garden Clubs, Women's Clubs and individuals.

The ultimate horticultural objective of the Preserve is to collect as many species as possible of the native flora of Pennsylvania and provide suitable ecological conditions in a natural environment where permanent maintenance and protection are assured.

More than 1000 species of plants native to Pennsylvania are now established along 2 1/2 miles of nature trails and well

marked for their identification. From March to November they are admired and studied by botanists, Scouts, school children, various organizations and thousands of visitors.

Great care has been taken to construct special habitats for certain plants. An interesting example is the Sphagnum Bog. At a carefully chosen spot beside a small stream, the earth was excavated to a depth of about eight feet. This cavity was then lined with oak logs, and alternate layers of peat moss, acid sand and sphagnum with an overall cover of sphagnum moss. Now growing happily here are such plants as sundew, pitcher



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# THE NEW CARS — STYLE 1904

by

**Richard J. Alliger**


One of the sure signs that the Fall Season of the year has arrived is when the new cars come out. Fall must be here now, as the showrooms of automobile dealers are full of 1904 cars, each one looking more beautiful than was ever imagined possible.

The new cars each year always capture the imagination of the public because life today centers around the automobile.

It was because of this universal interest in cars that Doy-lestown's Ken Frater loaned

your editor an old magazine showing "the new cars" for 1904, *sixty years ago!* The magazine is "The Automobile" and carries a dateline of February 27, 1904. It was published weekly in Chicago, and carried a price tag of ten cents — a mighty high price for a magazine in those days of 1¢ newspapers and the like, but loaded with a wealth of information for the car buff of that day.

Today, there are but a few car manufacturers in the USA, each firm making many differ-



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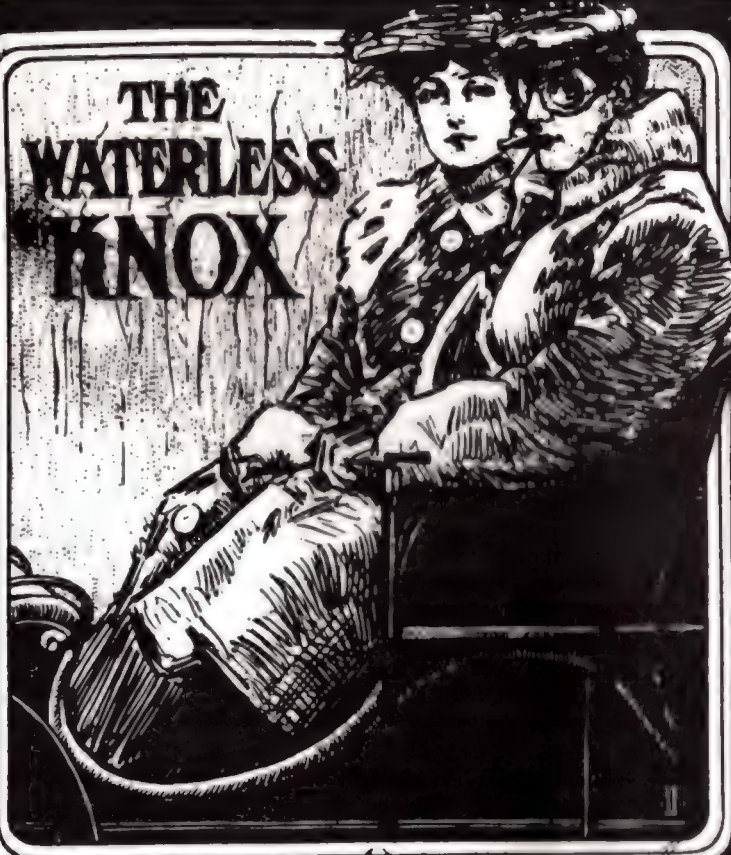
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ent "makes" of cars. This was not the case in 1904. The names Packard, Fiat, Studebaker, Oldsmobile, Ford, Rambler and Cadillac were the only familiar names we spotted, that still remain today. Sixty years ago, the automobile was just a step above the carriage, and many looked like little more than a buggy with a motor. Most carriage makers of the day had switched over to automobiles, and were made in garages all over the country.

Some of the names included Decauville, Haynes, Apperson, Thomas, Winton, The Royal Tourist, The Baker Electric, The Waterless Knox, Toledo Steam Car, The Stevens-Duryea, The Buckmobile and many others.

We thought it might be of interest to see what was "new" in automobiles in 1904, as taken from the advertisements and the editorial content of this old magazine.

Ford Motor Cars for 1904 advertised thusly — "The Ford Motor Car in the eyes of the chauffeur is the most satisfactory Automobile made for everyday service. The two cylinder (opposed) motor gives 8 actual horse power and eliminates the vibration so noticeable in other machines. The body is luxurious and comfortable and can be removed from the chassis by loosening six bolts. Price just \$800. as a runabout, or \$900. with tonneau."

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Stevens-Duryea advertised a seven horse-power engine that "starts from the seat". Packard was excited about the 1904 special model that held the world's speed record at Daytona-Ormond Beach, Florida of 1 mile in 46 2/5 seconds. Standard Automobile Company advertised their "Decauville" Car as such — "never stops until you pull the lever." Studebaker offered your choice — Electric cars for convenient local use, or Gasoline cars for wide radius touring. Rambler boasted — "The leader in its class — Equal to the \$2500. kind but at one-third the price." The 1904 Winton advertised that "Winton Cars are manufactured under the direct personal supervision of Mr. Alexander Winton; a guarantee of excellence." They were only \$2500. including canopy top and full lamp equipment.

The Premier featured an air cooled engine. Both "Columbia" and Cadillac boasted of "a years experience", while "The Michigan Runabout" offered one users testimonial of more than 32 miles per gallon on one run.

#### New Feature Available

One of the "new" features of 1904 was, and we quote this direct: **HUSSEY TILTING WHEEL.**—The tilting steering wheel marketed by the Hussey Drop Forging and Mfg. Co. of Cleveland, O. can be tilted forward. It gives ample room for easy entrance or exit on the operating side of the car and is released from the locked position by pressure of a thumb catch at the top of the steering column. The wheel, when returned to position for use in steering, locks automatically. The design has been carefully worked out to avoid all lost motion between the hub of the wheel and the squared end of the column. Sixty years later, many of our higher priced cars are just now offering car buyers this feature.

Some persons in 1904 were not sure the automobile was here to stay, as is illustrated in this story that appeared as a news item.

A traveling demonstrator for a manufacturer of light runabouts recently importuned a Yankee farmer to buy one of the vehicles at a close cash figure. "I'd rather put the money into cows", was the farmer's answer. "But think how you'd look riding into town on the back of one of your Jerseys", said the motor-

ist. "Perhaps I would look a bit foolish," replied the agriculturalist, "but think how I'd be sized up if I was caught trying to milk one of your automobiles!"

In 1904 interest was stirred up by the Brownlow bill in Congress, which provided the then astronomical sum of \$24,000,000. in national aid in building roads around the country. (Today this much is spent on just a small section of road)

1904 was a pioneer year for automobile manufacturing here and abroad, and since then has made great strides. We quote this paragraph from the editorial page of "The Automobile Magazine" to illustrate the growth of an industry that is now basic to our economy.

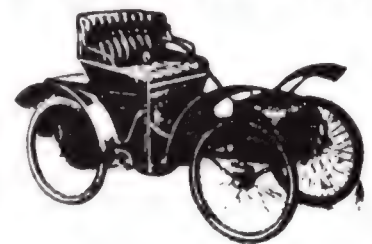
"It will be conceded by almost everyone interested that automobile manufacturers of today (1904) are missionaries who believe that future means of locomotion will include the use of the automobile in the greatest variety of localities and conditions. The next step is to persuade the purchasing public to share this belief."

In the sixty years since that paragraph was written, the automobile has come from a curio to a necessity of life. The auto makers did their job well.

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W. C. HERRING  
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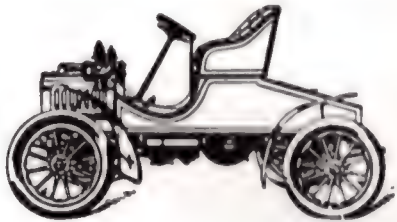
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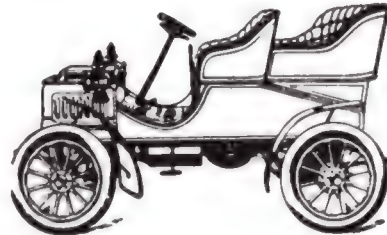
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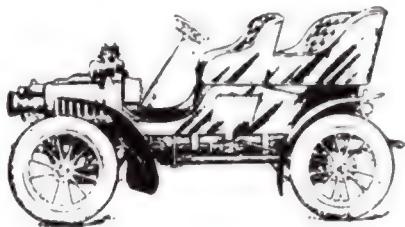
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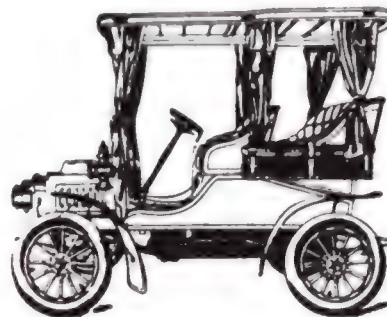
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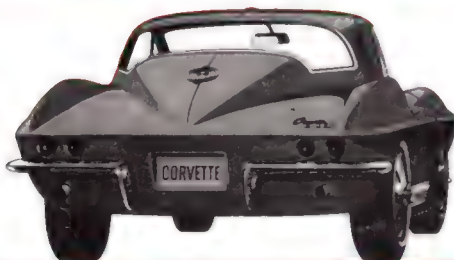
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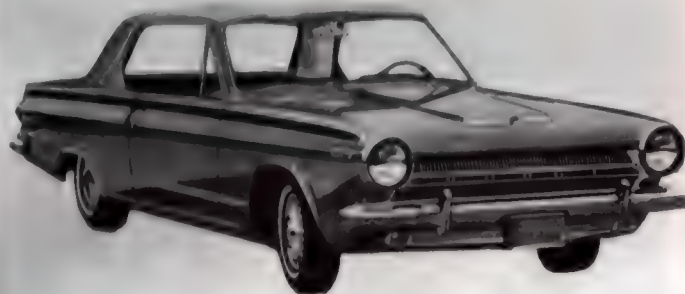


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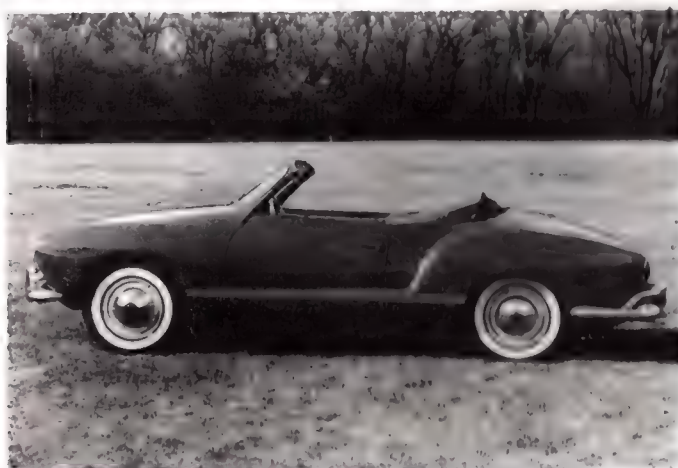
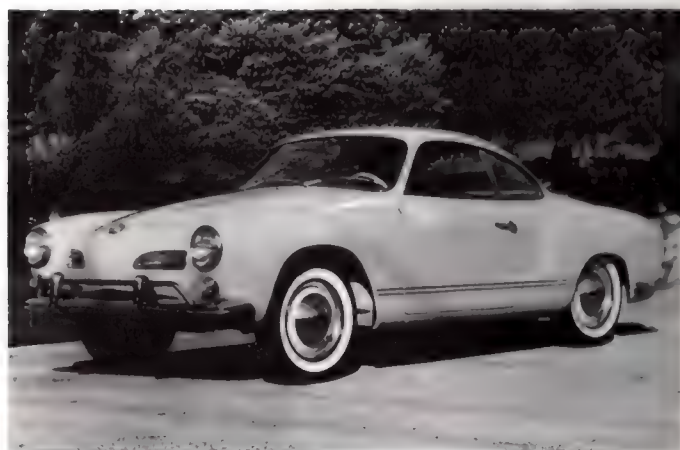
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## WAS IT MURDER FOR CHARLIE ROSS?

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"What is her name?"

"Valentine, the same name as mine." The boy looked up questioningly.

The farmer leaned over and placed a hand on the youth's shoulder. "Come on back to the house, son, I'll get you something to eat." The two plodded across the field silently. As soon as they were in the house the farmer told the boy to rest on the parlor couch a moment. He hurried to the hall and rang up the Philadelphia police. "I'm sure I've got the Ross boy," he sputtered.

Minutes later he returned to the parlor all smiles.

It was empty. The boy was gone.

The Valentine woman was investigated. There had been a woman by that name at that address, but not since 1875 . . . a year after the kidnapping!

No further trace of the boy was found. No further persons suiting the description so well. The strange case occupied such renown criminal investigators as Pinkerton and Scotland Yard, but to no avail.

To this day, the mystery has never been solved.

Perhaps the answer was cold-blooded murder, as with

the Lindbergh baby.

Perhaps the closest contact was the warm, worn hand of a Bucks County farmer on the road from Doylestown one day six years later.

We will never know.

JAMES P. (JIM) O'BRIEN, son of Deputy Sheriff CHARLIE O'BRIEN, of the Langhorne section, is a successful young business man who is following the advice of his popular Dad, who is now retired. Jim is dealing in antiques and is making quite a name for himself. A short time ago he demonstrated that he will buy most anything that he can sell and make a profit. Jim was in Hellerton where he bought an old dilapidated pine wood casket, for \$3.00 which he sold a short time later for \$11.00 at a Croydon antique sale. The casket was unoccupied.

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It is a far cry from the old days when a man had to wait until tomorrow if he missed a stagecoach. Now his grandson is annoyed if he misses the first slot in a revolving door.



## Perkasie Group Honored



On Sunday, September 15, as a part of "See Pennsylvania's Covered Bridges Week", Mrs. Vera Wagner, president of The Theodore Burr Covered Bridge Society of Pennsylvania presented a plaque to The Perkasio Historical Society for their efforts that saved the Perkasio Covered Bridge from destruction (Panorama, Sept. 1961). Pictured above at the bridge are Mr. Andy Schuler, Mrs. Wagner, and Mr. Claude Bowen, president of the Perkasio Historical Society. (Photo by Don Renner)

The (Holland) Dutch settled in Warwick Township in 1616.

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## Redfield

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where students could paint together from a model. Robert Fleury and Bourguereau were visiting lecturers, but were seldom present.

Instead the students learned from each other. They came from Scotland, Ireland, England, Austria, Russia, Italy, Germany, Sweden and Norway, and in this melting pot of culture, each was able to learn

from the experiences, style and techniques of the others.

In 1889 Redfield was still dissatisfied. He retreated to the out-of-doors, to the tiny village of Brolles in the Forest of Fontainebleau to find himself. There he began to paint nature as it really was, wild, imperfect and beautiful.

The story goes that during that winter, Redfield became intrigued with the long shadows on the snow. He was inspired to record the beauties and subtleties of the snow scenes, a difficult task that had been virtually

ignored up to that time.

In the countryside surrounding Brolles, Redfield had at last found his forte. He began a twenty-year effort to perfect a technique of painting nature as it is, not as civilization would like to see it. It was a difficult, exacting, and sometimes unpopular struggle toward, in his own words, not perfection, but something he could be satisfied with.

Returning to America with his French bride, Redfield settled first in Glenside. Then in 1898, he moved to a farm on

the river that both he and the Madame loved. He came with only a few dollars in his pocket and he was forced to ask for credit in Lambertville, "until I sell a painting. I'm warning you now, it may be nine months before I can pay you anything."

But Edward Redfield didn't believe in abusing his credit privileges. He was an independent, self-sufficient man, in a sense a kind of pioneer. He raised his own chickens. He had a pig and a cow. He planted a huge garden.

Redfield lived off the land when he could. He hunted and fished to provide his growing family with a change in diet. He built his outbuildings from driftwood that had floated down the river. To save a few pennies toll, he would often row across the river and avoid the bridge.

He painted Bucks County as he saw it. Dozens of his canvases were done within walking distance of his home. He painted in all seasons and all times. He has been called a painter "of a time and a place," a recorder of the essence, the spirit of Bucks County.

Because of technique and his manner of recording nature forthrightly, Redfield has been undiscerningly called a "snapshot painter." His method was to paint out-of-doors, standing before his easel in the snow and cold, and the heat of summer. He finished a canvas, even a large one, at one "go," in from three to nine hours. If he wasn't satisfied, the next day he would return, not to revise the painting, but to start a new one.

"When I paint a thicket, I want it to look like a thicket, with tangles and confusion and papers caught in the branches," he explained. His brush strokes were strong, vibrant, intense and effective. Lathrop often asked him when he was going to stop sketching and start

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# THE FAMILY ALBUM



*This month's photo shows the 33 students of the 8 grades at the Castle Valley School in 1904. Many well known Doylestown people may be found in the photo. We have all of the names on file at the Panorama office. The first little girl on the first row is Helen Stempel (Childs) of the Colonial Park in Doylestown who loaned us the photo. Others in the photo include G. LeRoy Shutt (5th person, 1st row), the late Albert Haldeman (7th person, 2nd row) and many others. Space does not permit us naming them all, but we're sure many old timers can pick out most of them. Thanks, Mrs. Childs, for loaning us the photo.*

## Redfield

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painting, but Redfield knew how much of his own creativity was in each of his canvases and he was satisfied.

Edward Redfield stopped painting when he could no longer stand to do a complete canvas at a "go." He turned his talents to gardening, making fine furniture and designing and hooking rugs. His unique hooked paintings are an adaptation of this skill and are truly unusual.

At 94 Redfield is probably America's most honored painter. His awards range from the Gold Medal of the Art Club of Philadelphia in 1896 and the Gold Medal from the Buenos Aires Exposition in 1910 to the Heinz prize from the Grand Central Gallery in 1928.

Redfield paintings can be found in many of the famous art galleries throughout the world. They are also available to students whenever possible. In the belief that young artists should have access to the work of established artists, Redfield has made a series of his paintings available to the students at Doylestown High School.

Redfield summers in Maine

to avoid the heat, but until June, he is busy around his ten-acre property. He plays bridge regularly and is well read, especially in world affairs and art. He does not always agree with the younger generation but he is tolerant of their actions.

If there is one thing Redfield is not tolerant of, it's modern art. "It's trash. It has no beauty. It doesn't convey a message. It's popular simply because it makes a good conversation piece. People are interested in the controversy about it and this draws crowds."

"Experts try to attribute the

great change in American art to the Armory Show in 1913. They say that this is what influenced 'The Eight.' I knew several members of 'The Eight' well. Glackens, Henri, Luks, Shinn and Sloan had been trained at the Academy. I know that the Armory Show did not change their methods or their subjects."

Redfield has seen his share of revolutions. He has been a rebel himself. But for him, innovation could never replace reality. Life is too real, too beautiful, to be ignored by a man like Edward Redfield.

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A note from the Perkasie News-Herald tells us that last year Bucks Countians spent \$88,637,000.00 on groceries. This does not include any restaurant food purchased, but only stores selling food for home consumption. Let's see, how many green stamps would that be?

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Among the many students entering Abington Memorial Hospital's School of Nursing this fall are the following area gals: JO ANN CIVIAL, Quakertown; PAULA MOOD, Perkasie; DORIS ROBINSON, Warrington; GLORIA TAYLOR, Chalfont; and DIANE YEAKEL, Quakertown. Have fun kids, and maybe, you might meet a Dr. Kildare or Ben Casey!

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The Tohickon Lions Club is sponsoring a Costume dance-party on October 30 at The Gobbler's in Point Pleasant. There will be prizes for the best costumes, and dancing from 9 P.M. Everyone is invited. All proceeds go to the Welfare Fund of the local Lions club. Sounds like fun!

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Livestock judges from Delaware Valley College, Doylestown placed second in the Intercollegiate Livestock Judging Contest held recently at Springfield, Mass.

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M. LIZ BEARDSLEY of The Washington Post newspaper visited Bucks County recently and wrote a nice long article in that paper urging folks from the D.C. area to visit us.

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"AL" COONEY, of Chalfont, a retired salesman, whose hobby is riding horses, has organized the only mounted Girl Scout troop in the United States, a troop that is now planning a complete program of activities for the year 1964. "Al", by the way, was recently sworn in as a special deputy sheriff of Bucks County and is serving on the staff headed by Sheriff Harold Dando, during criminal court sessions.

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Several "gentlemen" of the county seat area have entered Uncle Sam's services — JOHN JORDAN to the U. S. Navy; JOHN WILLIAMS, BOB BUCHANAN and JOHN MACANIFF to The National Guard. By the way, we were chatting with Capt. GEORGE LYNCH of The National Guard unit on Shewell Avenue in Doylestown. George told us there are a few vacancies in the outfit, and any young men wanting to complete their military obligation "at home", should contact The Guard at the Armory. They meet Monday nites.

CHARLES LISCHER of Roslyn, long connected with this publication, has moved his family to California, where he is publishing several community newspapers.

BOB HEINLE of Danboro, and formally of the Doylestown Bakery, is opening a shop in the new Plumsteadville Shopping Center. The store, open 11 to 11, will offer foods, party needs and baked foods of all descriptions. Watch for the opening date.

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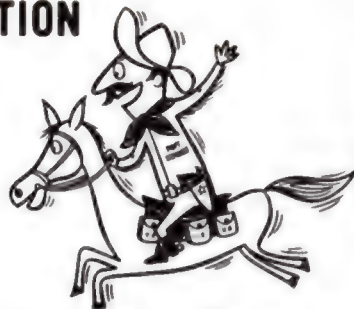
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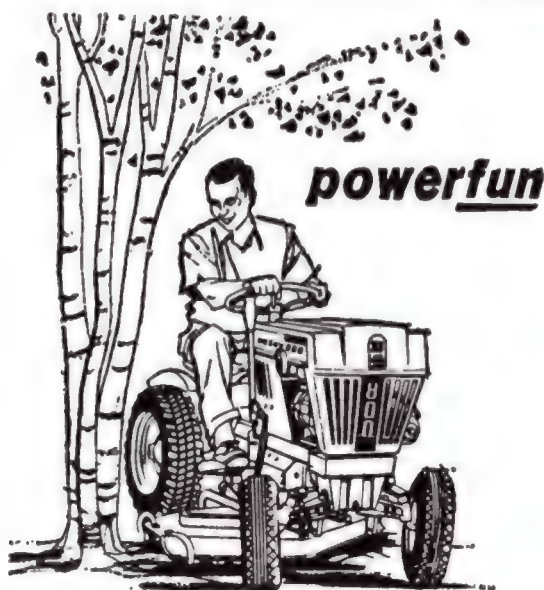


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## Around Town

TIM KULP, son of Panorama Historical Editor ROY C. KULP, recently returned from a three-month tour of Europe with his grandmother. Tim is 12 years old, and will have plenty to tell his schoolmates for years to come about his many adventures.

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## Roy...to Lecture

Speaking of the Kulp, "old Dad" Roy will be the featured guest at Moravian College in Bethlehem on October 25, when he will lecture on The Pennsylvania Dutch.

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We picked up a gardening tip for disillusioned gardeners from a fellow in Plumsteadville the other nite. He had these sage words—"If you had trouble with your garden growing this past year, try planting weeds next year, and maybe crops will choke the weeds out!" We're sure County Agent BILL GREENAWALT would not approve of this method, but may be it just might be worth a try.

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ertown Free Press, The Perkasio News Herald and The Yardley News went all out. Thanks to WBUX, WNPV, The Bux-Mont Farmer, and all others who aided in bringing to the notice of the public the "word" about Covered Bridge Week. By the way, if any of you would like a map showing the location of Bucks County's Covered Bridges, you may have one free, by writing The Bucks County Park Board, Court House, Doylestown, and requesting same.

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### Karl...pinch hitter

A special word of thanks should be made to WBUX's KARL BOEHRINGER who pinch-hit for your editor at the presentation of a plaque to the Perkasio Historical Society. Your editor came down ill, and Karl very generously offered to pinch hit. Thanks Karl.

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Over at Doylestown Country Club, the monthly dance will be held on October 19, and will be called, The "Harvest Hop". TOM and SYLVIA NIEHAUS are in charge.

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## Around Town

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Speaking of Art Shows, THE STOVER MILL exhibit for this month is The LYLE JUSTIS Memorial Exhibition of Pen and Ink drawings. The show, held at the Mill on River Road, Erwinna, will be held October 5, 6, 12, 13, 19 & 20.

Opening October 26 at the Stover Mill will be the works of ALLEN SAALBURG. The annual Christmas Bazaar opens November 29, offering "gifts and goodies" for sale.

The Annual Philips Mill Community Association Art Show will be held at The Centre Bridge Inn, instead of the Mill this year, due to the fire that damaged Philips Mill a few weeks ago. That show opened September 28 and will run through Sunday October 27. Hours: 1 to 5 P.M., except Sundays, when hours will be 1 to 6 P.M. Luncheon will be available at the show.

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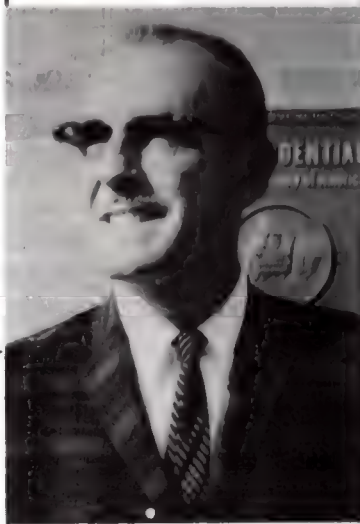
## Around Town

A couple of dates to remember are as follows:

October 20—A Family Style Ham Supper will be held at The Hartsville Fire Company, York and Bristol Roads in Hartsville. Adults \$1.75, Children under 12 just \$1.00, and if you're under 5, you have it made, cause you eat free.

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### Allen...Insurance man

Our good friend, ALLEN WARD, former owner and editor of the New Hope Gazette, and at one time publisher of the now dead Bucks County Traveler, is an insurance man with Prudential Life Insurance Co. Good Luck, Allen with the new appointment.

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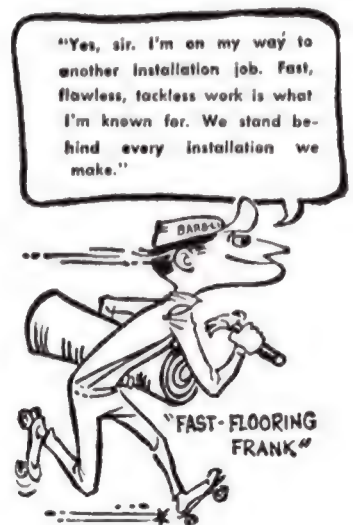
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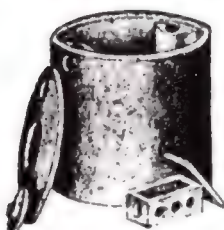


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There is big improvement in the effort being made to have more Doylestown business places display the American Flag on holidays, but there are still some business places that do not cooperate, including in one instance, a financial institution. HARRY MCCANN, at the Doylestown Post Office, can fill your order for a new flag, any time.

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The newest Justice of the Peace in Bucks County is former Police Chief LIN-FORD JONES of Bristol, who became a minor court "judge" three weeks ago. Chief Jones is also a special deputy sheriff in Bucks County on SHERIFF DANDY's staff.

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We had a letter last month from BRUCE ERCLENA who was at the U. S. Army Hospital at Fort Dix recuperating from an accident. Bruce reports one of the patients in his ward was from Georgia. He saw Bruce reading Panorama one day and asked to see it when he was finished. After reading Panorama cover to cover he told Bruce that the Bucks County scenery as portrayed in Panorama was the most beautiful he had seen in the North. He hadn't seen anything, anywhere to compare with it. We here at 'home' sometimes forget we do live in the most beautiful area in the world. Thanks for the letter, Bruce, and we hope your friend from Georgia spreads the word about Bucks County.



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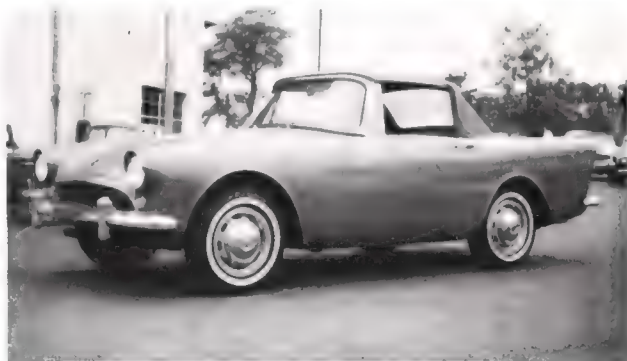
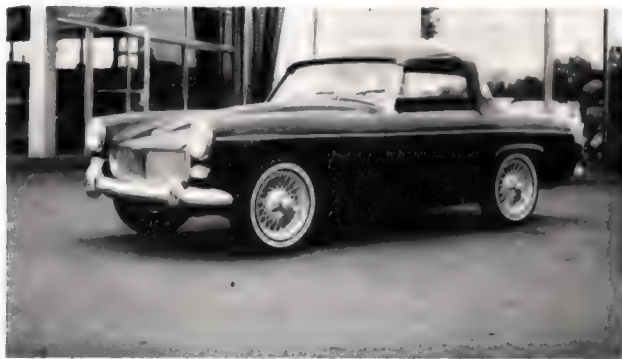
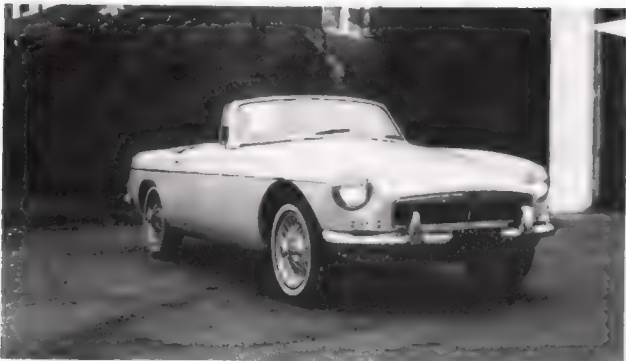
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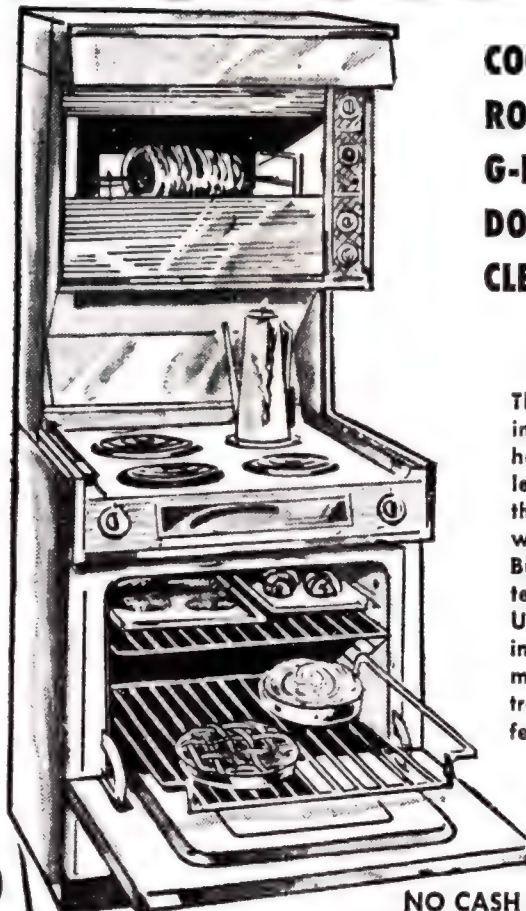
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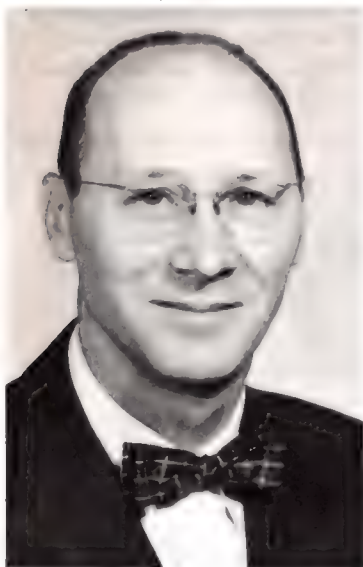
## Selling Your House

BY Robert H. Lippincott,  
President, Bucks County  
Board of Realtors

The risks and inconveniences involved in trying to sell your house yourself without the services of a Realtor far outweigh any potential advantages.

First, there is the danger that your "For Sale by Owner" sign may attract undesirables who endanger your wife or children home alone. Police records in many cities show how assailants gained entry to homes under the guise of being buyers.

Then there are the curiosity seekers, who are not dangerous but just a nuisance, pursuing their favorite sport of "looking at houses" without any intention of purchase.



Second, there is a chance you could lose a substantial part of your investment. Many people tend to overprice their homes. When they do, the house in many cases remains on the market for months and the buying public views it as a "white elephant." Potential buyers wonder what's wrong with it. Only too frequently it finally is sold for a much lower figure than it would have brought originally—had it been priced right.

On the other hand, you may underprice your house because of unfamiliarity with the market. "For Sale by Owner" signs are checked by speculators who are anxious to pick up a bargain for a quick resale at a profit.

These risks and inconveniences can be avoided if you consult a Realtor, a member

of the Bucks County Board of Realtors and the National Association of Real Estate Boards. A Realtor is pledged to a code of ethics, based on the Golden Rule.

He will not only shield you and your family against the undesirables, but he will also screen the real prospects themselves. Why waste time showing property to a person who doesn't have the financial resources to purchase your home?

A Realtor will counsel you on the value of your house so you won't underprice or overprice. He can do this competently because he is a professional working in the market daily. He knows the law of supply and demand, the current mortgage situation, zoning laws, proposed building plans, and how all these affect the sales value of your house.

A home that is not overpriced can be sold if a professional approach is taken. One reason a Realtor can do this is because he knows the buyers. He can determine whether the husband or wife will be making the decision to buy. (In most cases, it's the woman.) He also knows what the buyer's "dream" is.

A "dream" is something you can't put your finger on right away. Sometimes it's a fireplace, a patio, a large kitchen, an enormous backyard, or even a tulip garden. You can know this only when you have been with a buyer on several occasions. A Realtor spends hours, sometimes days, with a potential purchaser of a home.

Too, the Realtor's experience and training have taught him when to talk and when not to talk—what to say and what not to say. He knows how to negotiate and how to close the sale. The latter is the most important part of selling. You may make a satisfactory presentation, but if you don't know how to close the sale, everything is lost.

To buy a home takes money, and a Realtor knows where a buyer can obtain assistance. He knows what the going mortgage rate is and where the best terms are available. A Realtor is familiar with all the papers involved in selling a home, and he can help in this respect.

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## An Editor Reminisces



by C. Norman Detweiler

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**Newspaper Chuckles, or "English as She is Spoke."**

In response to requests from a number of Panorama readers, I have again dug into my collection of humorous items sent in to my newspaper office by well meaning country correspondents. Without changing the wording or the spelling, (only the names to protect the innocent), I present another edition of "Upper Bucks Chuckles", "with malice toward none", but laughter for all:

Elmer Jones celebrated his birthday on Friday and was sick in bed over the week end.

Mike Moros, a little man nearing the three score mark and visibly subdued in spirit, was in court charged with plunging a butcher knife into the back of his helpmate for years.

There are many carp fishers these days. The dam is full of them and many have been caught this Summer—and nice big fellows, too. They are good eating for those who like them.

Another home broke up by a would be flapper. We hope this has taught other girls her type a lesson. Who is to be pitied? Why the innocent wife and child of course.

Miss Millie Fagan and Henry Hogan motor to the Windgab on Sunday for pleasure.

Thomas Towie's house was struck on Friday by litnin. The ball of fire struck the kitchen floor just passed Towie and his wife then exploded under the chair in a big flame and stunned the wife who was near being killed.

John Flag met with a painful accident when a horse kicked him so hard that it sent him to bed.

A Robin comes to ten feet at the window when Frank Frome plays his radio and listens.

Charles Cruse who is confined with rumatism aint much improved so he cant walk in the room without Krutches.

Our farmers potatoes are rotten in the ground, while others are rotten who are out on the floor.

On Monday we had frost. Things cant be put out with the cold and many peoples plants were knocked off.

David Downes has such a boil in his nose that his face is all swelled up and he is confined.

During the thunder storm the other day hail fell as large as walnuts for a few minutes.



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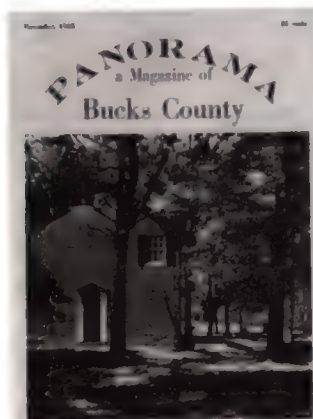
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## OUR COVER



Our cover this month shows an interesting doorway on the Stover Home at Tinicum Park (Photo courtesy, Bucks County Park Board)

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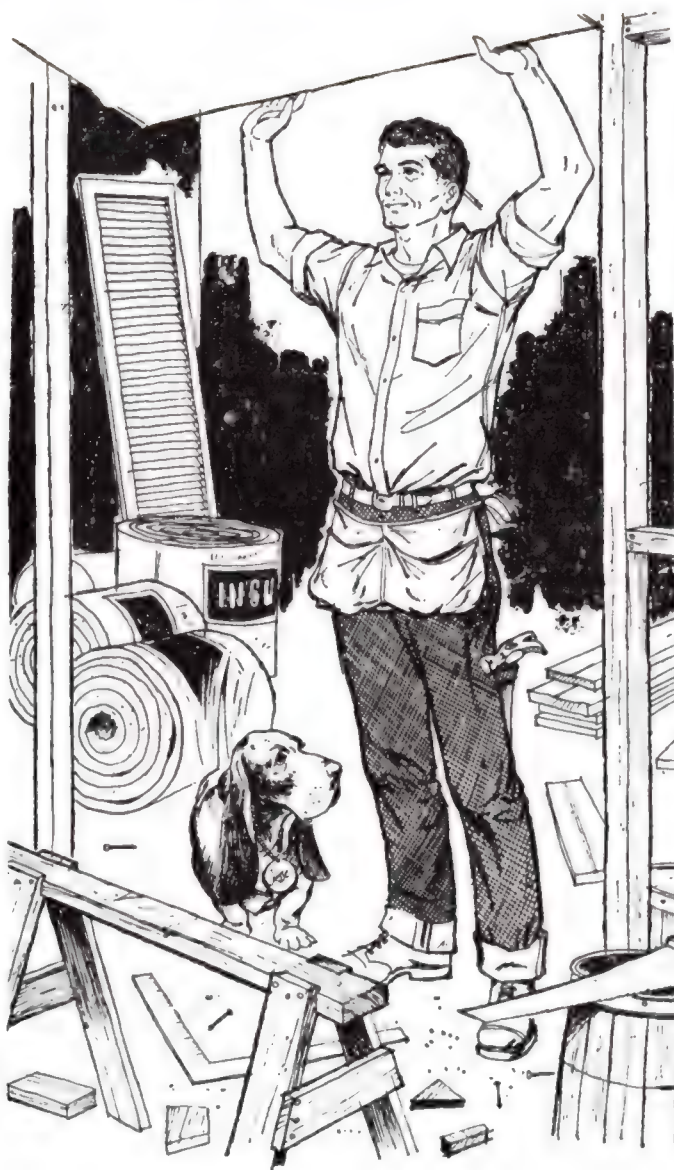
## Not So Long Ago

The other morning, as I sat eating breakfast, I picked up my favorite breakfast reading material—the cereal box. I'm not sure what there is about those boxes, but for some reason I have always been compelled to read every word, from the recipe ideas to the latest "Special Jet rocket Offer" for 25¢ and a boxtop, even the percentage breakdown of vitamins and such that the cereal contains.

This particular morning, I was eating Quaker Puffed Rice, one of the many "basic cereals" I was brought up eating. On the side panel it mentioned a word that brought back many memories. It referred to the cereal by a name that hasn't been used in bold letters for many years—Quaker Puffed Rice "SPARKLES". Remember? This further took me back to a familiar scene at our house many years ago—5 PM, a young boy would dash in the house, fresh from feeding the chickens, into the living room to the big console model radio, and tune in "Terry & The Pirates" presented by this same cereal that was, in those days— "Shot from guns". How this was ever accomplished, I never questioned at the time, but since the man on the radio said it, it must be gospel.

"Terry" was followed by a succession of heroes such as "Superman", "Jack Armstrong, The All American Boy", "Tom Mix", "The Green Hornet", "Hop Harrigan", "The Magic Lady" and "Utele Wip". Each program was usually sponsored by a cereal, and each had always had a special offer. Captain Midnight had a special decoder, Tom Mix offered a Magnet ring, Jack Armstrong had a "Special Wheaties Compass Ring", and so it went. We must have eaten a lot of cereal in those days, because I remember I had one of the largest collection of rings,

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## Rambling with Russ

by

A. Russell Thomas

NOVEMBER DATES to remember: Election Day, 5th, with congratulations to the winners and condolence to the losers; Veterans Day, 11th, celebrated by Legionnaires of the Doylestown American Legion Post on Saturday night, the 9th, at the A. R. Atkinson Post's handsomely remodeled home; Thanksgiving Day, 28th and the annual Central Bucks-North Penn football classic. Birth Month Facts: Topez is the birthstone, the meaning of the month is Fidelity and the official flower is my favorite, the Chrysanthemum.

THE GOOD OLD Daze: One Harvey Smith of Springfield Township, was sentenced to one year in prison and fined \$100 and costs on an assault and battery charge as he pleaded guilty before Judge William C. Ryan in the Bucks county criminal court just 40 years ago this month. He was accused of striking a neighbor woman, knocking her down several times—his second similar offense. A witness, I recall, testified that Smith got his liquor at a neighbor's place. Judge Ryan advised the witness to tell it to the district attorney when the case was finished. Smith himself, denied the charge, stating that he simply "touched" the woman once and "bumped" her a second time. But Smith cooked his own goose when he said to Judge Ryan: "I got my liquor in Bethlehem, right out of the still, plenty of it, and all I want, and not in Bucks county."

GARBAGE, 40 years ago: Doylestown Borough Council received a gripe at the November meeting of 1923 from Garbage Collector Adam Oleswski. Said Adam, as I recall: "How would you like to sort all sorts of garbage in Doylestown, picking therefrom old bottles, Paris Green, discarded clothing, unmentionables, leather belts, tin cans and what not—all for \$45 a month? How would you like to pay a helper on your truck out of those wages and still have something left—all for \$45 a month? It cannot be done, my councilmanic friends!" Council went into an executive session and reappeared with the good news for Collector Adam that his salary in the future would be \$100 a month, and gave him a new one-year contract.

Did you ever figure out what the current garbage collection contract is worth in Doylestown and how much it costs the individuals participating, and that some boroughs have free garbage collection?

ALSO 40 YEARS Ago: The official general election count for the year 1923 showed that Judge William C. Ryan was re-elected to the Court of Common Pleas of Bucks County with the highest majority on the Republican ticket, a total of 6528 votes over Democrat Joe Broadhurst of Langhorne. Second high on the ticket was Coroner Howard P. White, with Jake Shelly, clerk of orphans court and Bill Watson, clerk of quarter sessions ranking third and fourth in majorities. Oscar Helms of Riegelsville was elected minority county commissioner (a real fighter if there ever was one) over his opponent Joe Gulden. Other Republicans elected that year were Abe Kulp, sheriff; Sam Benner, recorder of deeds; Francis Cope, register of wills; Bill Murphy, county treasurer; Ernest S. Harvey and Frank S. Morris, county commissioners.

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# THIS IS BUCKS COUNTY



*The fall harvest with its pumpkins and corn shocks creates a wonderful world of fun for young and old here in Bucks County. (Sara M. Clark photo)*



# Bucks County-- Contrasts in Architecture



Bucks County has long been a seat of non-conformity, and this also relates to architecture, as one can see from these photos. Above, we see the Pennsylvania Dutch influence in this barn near Kinterville.



At left we see the barn on the Stover Estate near Erwinna with its tower on top.





The simple canal lock-keepers home near Uhlerstown presents quite a contrast to Bucks County's multi-million dollar court house.



(Photo credits—opposite page, top, Photo by Alliger; below, Bucks County Park Board. Above, top, Photo by Richard Kaplinski; at right by Bourke Mason.)

# WAY OUT ART IN A CHICKEN COOP

by

Chris Carr

High on a hill in Bedminster Township is a remodelled chicken coop which annually sees art history made. The former chicken coop, off Route 313 near Hagersville, is the Meierhans Art Gallery, the largest modern gallery in a country village anywhere.

In this rural setting hang both abstract and traditional canvases. Here all manner of artists and art lovers have the opportunity to meet and discuss theories, techniques and philosophies.

The man behind the Perkies gallery is Joseph Meierhans, scientist, scholar and abstract artist. Meierhans is something of a curiosity in a world where the prototype of an abstractionist is a beatnik in sneakers with dirty jeans and a beard.

At 73, Meierhans is above all things a student of and an experimenter in art. He has progressed from painting postcard size miniatures in great detail, through the more traditional media and methods, to the "drip and dribble" school of the abstract. Recently

he has modified his familiar technique to combine the use of basic geometric forms with his own unique color patterns.

What makes a man of 73 a specialist in the "way-out" school of art? His friends and acquaintances would probably say the spirit of youth. But for Meierhans himself, the study of art is really a search, a search for knowledge of himself, of the universe and of God. He must find new ways of expressing himself. It is a search in which all men participate, for man has an instinctive knowledge that there is an answer.

"I have known for a long time," Meierhans explains, "that it is the composition, the color, the form relations, and not the true rendering of objects, that give meaning to a work of art. But the appreciation of what good composition is changes with the years, and it is difficult to be alert enough to keep on moving forward by experimentation with these compositional relationships. I have to be careful not to fall

back on painting worn-out or old formulas."

According to Meierhans, the abstract artist must study life and nature to determine its fundamental laws, laws which govern the arrangements and beauty of color and pattern. "These laws are the origin of the sensitive combination which makes nature beautiful. If we paint according to them, wouldn't our paintings have an organization and life of their own? Wouldn't they be more in accord with our inner emotions?"

The abstractionist is trying to find the underlying reality in visible things, to penetrate to the inside, into the heart. Since much aesthetic significance is imparted by the simplest materials and forms, he must return to the essential meaning of all art, the aesthetic manipulation of space and form.

One becomes free from the shackles of nature if one studies nature's laws and develops new laws. The problem of the artist is to make the commonplace uncommon through the use of

new and unique forms of visual expression. The object of modern art is to search for original ways to use color and form to enlarge the bounds of human thought.

"Abstract paintings are constructed, are planned like houses," Meierhans explains. "Types of form, placement in the picture plan, the dark and light colors, color harmony and tonality, all are planned ahead. Changes do occur in the process of construction, however."

"First the idea develops in the mind of the artist. Usually it takes quite a while for the idea to become clear enough for him to start making sketches and find a suitable motive." (The motive is the theme or dominant feature of the painting.)

"Sketches are made on paper in the rough with pencil or charcoal to see if a rhythm and motive can be developed. I must see how to put them together on canvas with forms, lines and paint in an organization which gives me a thrill.

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The Old Red Hill Church on Durham Road, Ottsville, Bucks County.

## *The Red Hill Church*

There is another historical landmark that we found well worth a visit in travels around Bucks County. That is the recently restored Red Hill Church on the Old Durham Road in Ottsville.

The Red Hill Church, as it is now called, was established as a Presbyterian congregation in 1766. Though William Penn was, of course, a Quaker, and Quakers naturally abounded in his colony, the early settlers of Tinicum Township

were predominately Scotch-Irish (that is, Scottish settlers in Ireland, generally in Ulster, the northeastern province) and, as we know, Presbyterianism was a tradition with the Scots.

The Red Hill Church was incorporated in 1787, and early pastors were Rev. James Grier, Rev. Nathaniel Snowden, and Rev. Uriah DuBois. Around 1798, it is recorded, a well was dug, apple trees were planted, and more land was bought. The building was probably smaller than it is today, and was probably not as old as the congregation, which might have met for a time in private homes or in a log or frame structure — as was the case with another very old church in this area, St. John's at Haycock Run.

During the first half of the nineteenth century settlers of German extraction became increasingly numerous in Bucks County, and Presbyterians declined. Accordingly, the Presbyterians in 1843 turned the Red Hill Church over to a Lutheran congregation, which improved and remodelled the structure, as a stone in the front wall testifies. As we see it now, the church is no doubt substantially identical in appearance to what it was 120 years ago, except that the original open stone has been cemented, as has been done with many other



The now unused one-room schoolhouse located directly behind the Red Hill Church.

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## WAY-OUT ART IN A CHICKEN COOP

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a suggestion of the reality that inspired me. I must build an emotional and spiritual picture."

In non-objective painting, the motive does not derive directly from life. Instead forms are used to build emotion, tension and rhythm, to give an emotional and spiritual lift. The communication between the painter and the viewer is one of stimulation. There is no specific interpretation of the painting; there is nothing that should be seen. Instead the artist has achieved his goal if the viewer is stimulated in some way by the painting, if it makes him react, if it makes him think.

To Joseph Meierhans, the achievement of one goal leads to the immediate setting of another. For the Hagersville resident, each canvas presents a new problem which requires new expression and experimentation. Ideas are never a problem for him.

Meierhans was born in Oberlunkhofen, Switzerland, in 1890. At the insistence of his mother, he attended the Swiss Textile School in Zurich from 1907 to 1909, and pursued a career as a textile designer. In 1917 he came to America and took a position with the Phoenix Silk Company at their famous Allentown mill, "The Adelaide."

As a young man in Switzerland, Meierhans had painted post cards and tiny canvases. While in Allentown he studied with the late A. N. Lindemuth and was encouraged to paint in earnest. In 1919 he was transferred to New York and began more concentrated studies at the Art Students League under former Philadelphian, John Sloan. Later he spent three years working with Karl Knaths in Provincetown, a relationship which still continues.

While working for the J. P. Stevens Co., Inc., Meierhans was in charge of technical fabric development on spun rayon and general cloths, and became a national authority on silk manufacturing. Meanwhile, he and his wife, the former Irene Hubler of Allentown, began a search that was to lead them straight to Bucks County.

In 1932 the Meierhans discovered and purchased a 200-

acre farm south of Hagersville. The farm included a beautiful old house, known as the Rafferty Mansion. It had been built by the Philadelphia banker, Bernard Rafferty in 1868, but was deserted for many years. Restoration of the mansion and operation of the vast farms became their principal interest.

In 1956 Joseph and Irene Meierhans embarked on a dream which has made a unique cultural contribution to the state of Pennsylvania and the whole east coast. Starting with the old chicken house which was to become a reception area, they designed and built, to a large extent with their own hands, what has been called America's largest art gallery in a rural community. The two major wings, each 100 feet long, annually house a unique collection of paintings.

Meierhans chooses his exhibitors with care for his aim is to show the best in both abstract and realistic art, and to stimulate an understanding of both. His gallery has become a meeting place for artists, art students, critics and other interested visitors. It has encouraged the interchange of ideas and opinions which is necessary to the stimulation of creativity.

Meierhans himself greets his guests at the door. He is warm and gracious, but he is likely to allow his visitors to wander about by themselves with neither comment or direction. He is interested in their reactions, their comments. The artist is unusually articulate about his own work, however.

"My canvases must sing for the eyes," he says. "My art is music for the eyes, like real

music is for the ears. The color combinations are similar to a chord in music. If one color is wrong, then the whole thing is out of harmony. Sometimes when you change one small color, you have to modify the whole painting."

Meierhans achieves his unusual effects by applying layer upon layer of color to his canvases. Each layer is glazed so that one color will not run into and muddy the next. Instead, the layering gives a depth to the canvas and allows the living quality of each color to be emphasized to the fullest.

As a New York Herald-Tribune art critic once said, "Joseph Meierhans starts with a specific subject, simplifies it to abstract terms and spins his compositions of decorative color thinly applied in veils and trailing lines. Imaginative fantasies that are controlled in their execution, his paintings have depth, perspective, fluidity, spontaneity of design and romantic mood."

Meierhans is one man who helps to prove that there is not such a wide divergence between art and science. Each requires study, perseverance, a theory and experimentation. Each requires a searching mind, hard work and the willingness to admit when one is wrong.

To Joseph Meierhans, art is his life. "If I live to be 200 I won't have enough time to try all the things I have in mind. When I finish this, I'd like to try this sort of thing and then this and maybe this, after I think it through," he says, leafing through stacks of art journals, sheafs of sketches, and piles of notes on his desk. "And look at this," he lays out a series of paintings done by the first graders in a neighboring school. "Now there's where real art begins."



"Confound it! Stop singing  
the leaves of brown came  
tumbling down!"

Did you know that the early stoves of the Pennsylvania Germans functioned as radiators? These stoves were made of five plates with scenes from the Bible, the sixth side of the stove being the side or back wall of a fireplace in an adjoining room. A hole was made in the wall to fuel the stove and a vent for smoke. The Mercer Museum at Doylestown has an internationally famous exhibit of these.





*Above, a small stagecoach arrives at The Fountainville toll gate, while another buggy loads grain. (Photo by Craven Studio)*

## Stop! Pay Toll

In today's world of speed on the highway, we think of Turnpikes as a way of getting somewhere extra fast, and we are sometimes happy to pay the toll to avoid sideroads, traffic hold ups, etc.

Not too many years ago, the toll road was a very common thing here in Bucks County, with most of the "improved" roads at the time being toll

roads or "turnpikes." Sections of Route 611 were toll roads. There was "The Gardenville Turnpike," "The Edison Turnpike," and many others. Rates were usually a few pennies, and toll was based on the number of horses and the size of the rig.

Thanks to Mrs. Ruth Rosenberger of Lansdale we have a

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*Mr. and Mrs. Martin Smith, Fountainville toll gate keepers, 1904.*



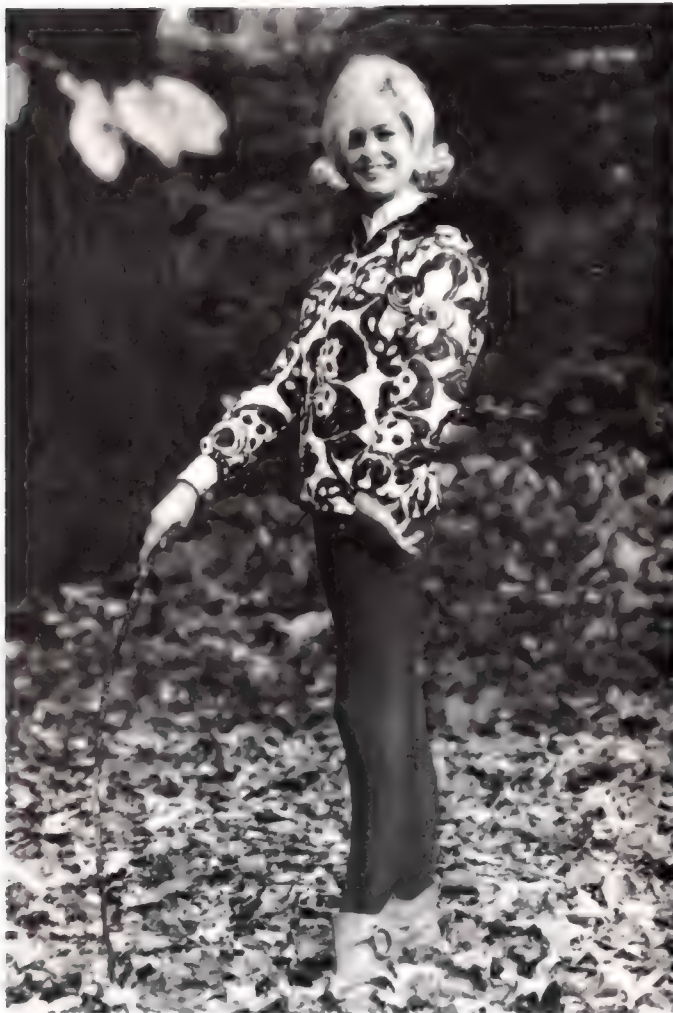
*At left, below, we see Toll-gate keeper Martin Smith and family on the porch of the toll house, while a carriage waits to pass. At right, a small buggy is passing through the gate. Mr. & Mrs. Smith may be seen on the porch. Note the lantern on porch. The road signs point to Dublin and Doylestown. (All photos courtesy Mrs. Ruth Rosenberger)*





# VOGUE

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### EIGHT HOUSES OPEN ON TOUR

On Saturday, October 12th, devotees of old houses and lovers of antiques will have a rare opportunity to go back more than two hundred years in time and inspect seven houses of that age and another one a mere one hundred years younger on Open House Day sponsored by Historic Fallsington, Inc.

The tour will start from the famous Burges-Lippincott house in Fallsington, which was the first acquisition by Historic Fallsington, Inc., toward making the ancient village "the Williamsburg of the Delaware Valley." The tour runs from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. covering a distance of approximately 15 miles. A \$2.00 luncheon will be served from noon to 2:00 p.m. at the Yardley Meetinghouse and ticket donations of \$2.50 may be obtained at the Burges-Lippincott house or from Mrs. David Raw, Fallsington. One earnest request is made by the owners of these beautiful homes with their rare rugs and handsome floors — no spike heels — please.

From the Burges-Lippincott house the visitors will next tour Windfields near Yardley, which is currently featured in a handsomely illustrated six-page article in the September issue of Antiques Magazine. Its owners, Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Rickert, have an exceptional collection of family pieces of museum quality. Besides priceless items of furniture, early American silver and paintings by Corot and many fine early portraitists will be on display.

In Lanrick Manor, the charming eighteenth century home of Miss Catherine Belleville, fireplaces, mantles and trim are of 1720 origin. Many

interesting items will be on display.

The fourth house on the list, the newest, is mid-nineteenth century, an elegant period, from which Dr. and Mrs. George N. J. Summer, Jr. have gathered many unusual antiques.

"Mansion House" Farm, owned by the well-known writer, Miss Cathy Wagner, has been little changed since 1713. The talent and taste of its discerning owner is evident in the many fascinating antiques throughout the house.

The next house on the list, Ashton, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Brooks White, still retains its quaint stone sink and iron cooking accessories in the great fireplace. Mr. White, a trustee of Historic Fallsington, Inc., together with Mrs. White, has achieved carefully documented architectural restoration.

Home number seven, "Shady Hill," owned by Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Burton, was a gracious home long before the American Revolution. Mr. Burton is also a trustee of Historic Fallsington and served as its first president. As a descendant of William Penn's supervisor and confidant, John Sotcher, he is in a rare position to own and be able to display very early Bucks County pieces.

The tour ends at Hunters Hill Farm, owned by Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Hauptfuhrer, at Washington Crossing, Pa. This exquisite home offers especially interesting architectural features and a fine collection of lustre ware and rare antique furnishings.

Historic Fallsington's Open House Day will be one of the outstanding events in Bucks County this Fall, putting on display one of the most unusual groups of houses ever offered.

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Harriet Fox, Woman's Page Editor

## FOR YOUR HONEYS

It was an old-time Greek wedding custom for the groom's mother to give a gift of honey to the bride in the fond hope that as a result her words might always be sweet. In one form or another, this optimistic symbolism is echoed in the folkways of many other peoples of the world.

The time-honored sweetener has well-earned its fine reputation. Both in its original form as comb honey or as liquid honey when extracted from the comb, it's a delectable as well as a legendary food.

Long a Southern favorite, comb honey has been gaining wider recognition in recent years. This is the delicately structured honey-filled comb taken right from the bee hive and conveniently packaged for family-size needs. As sold in the grocery stores, it is often referred to as cut-comb, hunk, or chunk honey, depending on the size or shape of the piece of comb.

Liquid honey—probably the most familiar and popular form of the sweetener—is honey extracted or strained from the comb. Many stores also sell another form of honey you may enjoy—cream honey, a semi-solid version of liquid honey, with a soft, spreadable consistency. The natural mellow flavor of this sweetener makes it an excellent choice for any preparation where subtle flavor is desired.

Liquid honey goes well in most homebaked products that require sugar. Just use the same amount of honey as you would sugar, but reduce the liquid called for by  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup for every cup of honey, add a dash more salt to bring out the full honey flavor, and lower the oven temperature  $25^\circ$  to prevent over-browning. The added flavor and moisture honey imparts to cakes, cookies and other baked goods, help them retain a fresh-from-the-oven quality for a long time.

Add honey to other foods, too, for tantalizing flavor and aroma. Honey glazed ham makes a glistening entree that

## Unique Recipe Idea!

For a quite unusual meat dish, serve Top Hat 'Burgers.



Top Hat 'Burgers

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| 1 lb. ground beef               | 1 Tbsp. butter or margarine           |
| 1 tsp. salt                     | 1 tsp. curry powder                   |
| 1 Tbsp. A.1. Steak Sauce        | 1 can (7 oz.) jellied cranberry sauce |
| 2 Tbsps. minced onion           |                                       |
| 1 can (9 oz.) crushed pineapple |                                       |

Combine beef, salt, A.1. Steak Sauce and onion; toss lightly and shape into four patties. Broil or pan-fry to desired doneness. Meanwhile, combine pineapple, butter or margarine, and curry. Heat gently. Top each hamburger with one slice of cranberry sauce and a spoonful of hot pineapple mixture.

looks and tastes wonderfully good. Bake ham as usual until a half hour before it should be done. Remove from the oven, score the surface with diamond-shaped criss-crosses, and gently pour honey over the meat. Baste occasionally while the ham finishes baking.

Honey corn bread is unusually moist and delicious. Mix 1 cup each cornmeal and flour, 2 teaspoons baking powder and a dash of salt. Combine 3 tablespoons honey and 2 tablespoons melted shortening, add 2 beaten eggs and 1 cup milk. Blend the dry and liquid ingredients together, pour into a greased gingerbread-sized pan (8x8 inches) and bake 20 to 30 minutes in a  $375^\circ$  F. oven. Serve with creamy honey-butter.

Honey baked beans make a tasty, yet economical main dish item. Soak and cook 1 cup dry beans and put them in a casserole. Add  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup chopped onion, 2 tablespoons honey, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  to 1 cup milk depend-

ing on the amount of moisture needed to keep the beans from drying out during baking. Slice a can of luncheon meat almost through and slip half an orange slice into each "slot." Place the meat in the beans and bake in a  $350^\circ$  F. oven until thoroughly heated, about an hour.

Serve honey-milk drinks for after-school refreshers that are nutritious as well as tempting. For a honey-shake, mix  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup honey, 1 cup milk and a scoop of a favorite-flavored ice cream. For a honey-malted, mix 2 tablespoons honey, 1 cup milk, 1 scoop of vanilla or chocolate ice cream, and 1 teaspoon malted milk powder.

## STATUE ATTRACTS CHILDREN

The only statue of Winken, Blinken and Nod within the state of Pennsylvania is located on "the green" in Wellsboro, home of Pennsylvania's Grand Canyon. Several state parks; Woodward Winken, Blinken and Nod were the three who "one night sailed off in a wooden shoe," from the poem by Eugene Field.

## Historic Fallsington

The small historic village of Fallsington has changed very little since it was first settled in 1680. It is now a quiet island in the middle of a vast industrial, residential and commercial development.

In the eighteenth century it was a stopping place for travelers going from New York to Philadelphia, and for farmers taking produce to the wharves along the Delaware for shipment to Philadelphia by boat. The former inn is now the present day hardware store.

During the nineteenth century, the village grew, as retired farmers sought an urban habitat. At about the same time Fallsington became a center for creameries operated by milk processors who collected milk from surrounding dairymen, and then retailed it in Trenton.

The central square in Fallsington is surrounded by many fine provincial homes, and by two Friends Meeting Houses. The South Meeting House was built in 1789 and the north one in 1841. On these grounds was located the first Meeting House in Bucks County, where William Penn worshipped between 1699 and 1701. These buildings are still used by The Society of Friends, one for worship, and the other for social service.

The Fallsington Library, founded in 1802, and the beautiful old store houses are landmarks that serve as a cohesive force in linking the gentility of the past with the growing civic, social and historic awareness of the many newcomers to the village.

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## RED HILL CHURCH

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old houses in Tinicum — and probably for the same reason, that the old mortar began to leak water.

After World War I the Red Hill church fell into disuse, and remained vacant for more than thirty years. In 1957 Rev. Victor Steinberg induced the United Church of Christ to restore and occupy it and it now once again echoes to the strains of sacred music. The church is served by Rev. William Feldt, who occupies the parsonage just across the road, and is pastor of the Tinicum United Church of Christ.

The churchyard is enclosed by a wall built in 1835 and is the last resting place for about 150 persons. We wandered about the cemetery and found dates as early as 1749 (before the United States was!), not to mention many graves with just a rock marking the site. These are believed to be even older.

In back of the church is an old one-room school house which is no longer in use.

It is an interesting place to stop and visit, as it is one of the oldest churches in the county.

We are indebted to the His-



MERIDITH

"I brought you some Thanksgiving dinner!"

torical Committee of the Tinicum Township Civic Association for the information in this article. (Photos by Panorama photographer Richard Kaplinski)

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Wrightstown Township in Bucks County was originally laid out as a park by William Penn. Hence the name of one of the township's towns, Penns Park.

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# REMEMBER WHEN



Remember when parades were common in Bucks County? This photo, courtesy Mrs. Childs of Doylestown, shows "The Golden Eagle" Lodge Float in Doylestown parading during "Old Home Week" in 1912. The photo is taken in front of what was The John Rodrock home on South Main Street.



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badges, etc. in the town of Johnsville.

While on the reminiscing kick, remember "Big Little Books", Ovaltine, "Sunny Jim and his Force Cereal", Johnny Mack Brown, Rationing books, red and blue points, "A", "B" and "C" stickers for your car, —I guess I'm getting carried away.

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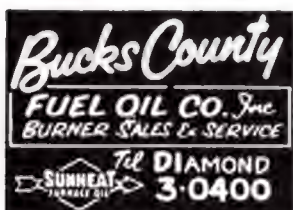


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"The Changing Face of The County Seat"—This photo shows the "Monument House," operated at that time by L. G. Mitchell, and the trolley station at left. The Monument House later became the Bucks County Inn, recently torn down to make way for the new Doylestown Savings & Loan Building. The old trolley stop is now on grounds occupied by the new multi-million dollar Bucks County Court House.  
(Photo courtesy Don Warner)



This view of Doylestown will not be remembered by many, but presents a nostalgic view of the past. It is Main Street, looking south from a point a little north of the post office. The horse and buggy have stopped in the center of the street for the horse to get a drink. It didn't stop much traffic though, from the looks of things. Note trolley tracks. Photo taken about 1908. (Photo courtesy E.M. Funk)

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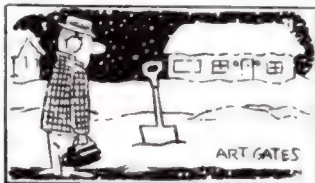
## RAMBLING WITH RUSS

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ARMISTICE DAY 40 years ago I covered the activities of the day as a news reporter. I heard the Rev. Charles F. Freeman, pastor of Salem Reformed Church, Doylestown, take as his sermon theme. "Through Me you may find peace". Rev. Freeman, among other things, said as he addressed members of the American Legion, "There is no group anywhere that knows better than you fellows, what war means. You should stand firm against any future wars." The 1923 Armistice Eve Ball that year was held in the Doylestown Armory with 200 dancers participating. Supper was served at 7 p.m. by Brashears, and music was furnished by Brown Brothers. The affair was publicized later as the "best event in the history of the Post".

THIS YEAR: Never saw so many pumpkins . . . Never heard so much childish griping in politics . . . Never want to see or look at again, one Mme. Ngo Dinh Nhu, and suggest that "home to Vietnam to stay" should be her next permanent move . . . Never want anything better for a noon-day snack than a "REUBEN SANDWICH" . . . The first one I ate was at the Hotel Madison in Madison, Wisconsin with my family . . . And what is a "Rube"? Well you toast two pieces of bread after you have topped both with a layer of good corn beef and Wisconsin cheese, all this topped with a spread of sauerkraut . . . Serve real hot and wash down with a cold beer. Oh Boy!

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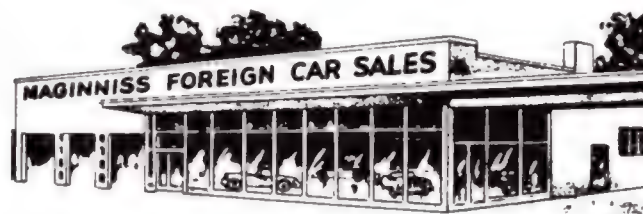
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## TOLL GATE

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chance to see how "The Fountainville Toll Gate" looked in the early part of this century. Her grandparents, Mr. & Mrs. Martin Smith, were toll gate keepers at the time, and she has preserved several photos that she very kindly loaned us for this feature.

The Toll Gate was located on what is now Route 313 just opposite what is now Hellerick's Fountainville Store. In those days it was Gross' Store, operated by Annie and John Gross.

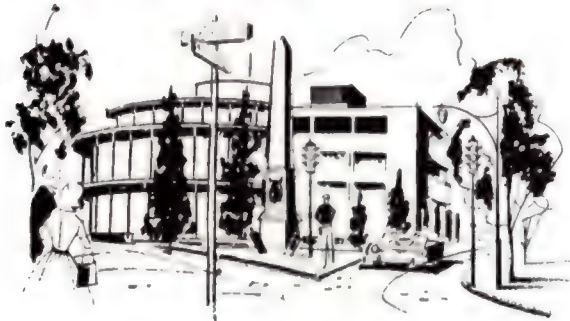
Mrs. Rosenberger tells us she remembers taking pennies from travelers for the toll and giving them to her grandfather. Her grandfather would leave the house early in the morning with his lunch box, shovel and stone hammer, walking up the pike to make repairs. He broke the stone by hand to fill in holes.

An interesting sidelight to this story is that Mr. Smith, before becoming toll gate keeper at Fountainville, worked at the Blacksmith Shop in Gardenville — another lost art in today's modern world. — RJA





## Around Town



Here it is November again. Summer is just a memory and Thanksgiving and Christmas are just around the corner. Is it that time goes faster or are we getting a little older?

We read recently where scientists have been experimenting with plant life to see if it could exist on the planet Mars. They have simulated what they believe the climatic conditions are there, and have found out that many of the plants we have here on earth, such as our favorite Marigold, could survive and grow on Mars. The note was of particular interest as the scientists singled out the Marigold—the special interest of Doylestown's BURPEE Family. Burpee's have had a campaign going for some time "Marigolds for the U. S. National Flower". Now perhaps they can push for "Marigolds for The National Martian Flower". Just a thought.

Up to Spinnerstown in Upper Bucks go our good wishes for a happy 200th Anniversary to St. John's Lutheran Church. The present building goes back to 1874, but the congregation dates back some 200 years. Baptisms are recorded as early as 1734. Reverend LEONARD E. GOOD is pastor.

At Bucks County's College, DELAWARE VALLEY COLLEGE of Science and Agricultural, we learn from CHARLIE McGURK that 517 students are enrolled for the fall term. This is the largest enrollment on record. Nine of the students are from foreign countries—two from Peru, and one each from Mexico, Kenya, South Korea, Hong Kong, Columbia, Cuba and Holland via Canada. One student is from Puerto Rico.

We are all proud of our Volunteer Fire Companies here in Bucks for the outstanding job they do, and the literally thousands of man hours donated to keep our homes safe from fire. To their already fine record, we now note with pride that the Bucks County Fire School is now open and in full swing, giving firemen extensive training in fire-fighting. The new school, located near The Neshaminy Manor Home, has been made possible through the co-operation of the Bucks County Firemen, Fire Chief, Fire Police and Fire Communications Associations. Thanks to CLARENCE HAMPTON for the information.

We recently had the great privilege of meeting and hearing Senator BARRY GOLDWATER speak at Hershey. On hand were many localites to cheer on the possible GOP Presidential Nominee.

### NEXT MONTH

Panorama readers will have a special photo treat next month in our "Christmas Special" with a gallery of beautiful Bucks County scenes, suitable for framing. This will be in addition to our regular line-up of articles and features. We suggest you be sure and pick up your copy early, or better yet, subscribe today!

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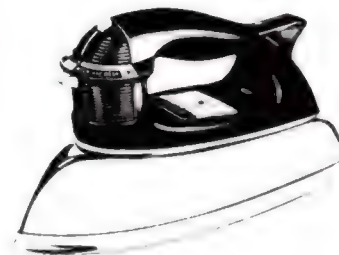
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## Around Town



Senator BARRY GOLDWATER

One of Bucks County's favorite philosophers is Ivyland publisher H. H. EDDOWS. Editor Eddows has been publishing "The Loud Speaker" for a number of years. We quote some of his observations from a recent issue of his publication:

"There was a time when 10¢ could buy more, but dimes have changed."

"Early to bed and early to rise is a sure sign you are fed up with television."

"You've got to hand it to the income tax people. If you don't they come and get it anyway."

"About the only thing a man can count on these days are his fingers and toes."

"If you've tried your hand at something and have failed, the next best thing is to try your head."

Thanks Editor Eddows for many smiles.

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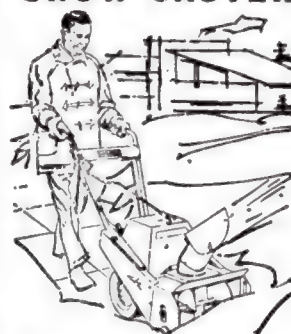
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Congratulations to newlyweds Mr. & Mrs. RONALD WATSON (Margaret Twiford) who "tied the knot" recently. \* \* \*



GORDON EXLEY of The Bucks County Industrial Development Corporation tells us that Wisteria Mills, Inc. has begun production in the former Green Lawn Hoisery Mill at Dublin. They have set a goal of 100 employees and have scheduled three shifts and a seven day operation. Dublin is fast becoming an industrial center. \* \* \*

Former Panorama Art Director, GEORGE MATTHEWS, now with the U. S. Air Force, is being transferred to an air base near Barcelona, Spain for the balance of his tour with the service. \* \* \*

DAVID HOUCK of Doylestown, a field representative for RCA's industrial branches just recently returned from a three week business trip to Europe for his firm. We offered to carry his bags for him, but he said his wife had already offered. \* \* \*

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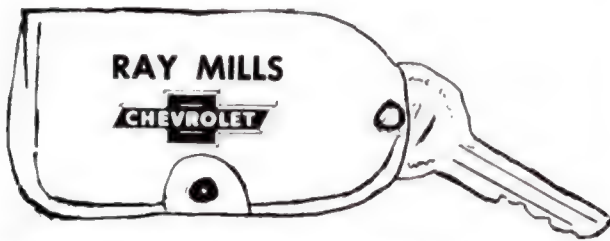
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## Around Town

Our New Hope neighbor PAUL WHITEMAN has started a new TV show on WFIL-TV called "Pops Goes To College". The show will be videotaped at colleges around the country featuring top college talent.

Doylestown's JOHN CORCORAN has been called "back to duty" to his first love—broadcasting, and is associated with WFIL-TV. John has spent most of his life traveling all over the world and broadcasting interviews with world leaders and commenting on the news. John purchased WATER WHEEL INN in Doylestown some years ago and still operates it with his charming wife ELSA. Next time you are at the Water Wheel, mention any world leader and John will no doubt have a thousand stories about his conversations with him.

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PAULA LUCAS of Maplewood, recently returned from a months visit to the west coast and has started training at Pennsylvania Hospital in Philadelphia.

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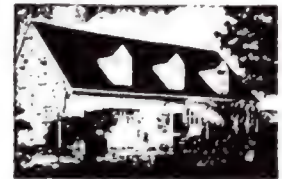
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Doylestown's FRANK SHELLEY is the latest member of "the clan" to join Buck's County's National Guard unit here in the County Seat. Frank goes on active duty later this month to Ft. Jackson, S. C.

NICK SHARPS of D'town, now with the Air Force, was home on leave recently.

The Playhouse Inn has been presenting some unusual entertainment on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings. A group called The Compas, "the original of all improvisational groups" and DICK AVERREE and his orchestra are on hand to entertain the customers.

R. JOHN PIERSON is the new owner and operator of "The Village Kitchen", formerly "Marge's Restaurant" on Oakland Ave. in Doylestown. John was formerly manager at the Doylestown Country Club and more recently with The Germantown Cricket Club. Now, a resident of Doylestown, we wish him and his wife Helen the best of luck.

Our good friends up at "The Fallow House" in Plumsteadville have a bit of romance in their souls. Each Saturday evening from 9 until 12, candlelight is the order of the day (or night). For dinner or after theatre snacks, this is a most charming place.

Speaking of Plumsteadville, BOB and JULE HEINLE have opened "The Plain and Fancy Shop" in the new Plumsteadville Shopping Center. Open daily from 9 to 9, the shop features party, grocery and other food needs. The shop is very charming. Stop in and have a look-see!

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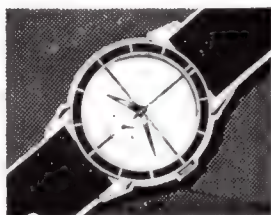
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## Around Town

Speaking of The Plumsteadville Shopping Center, Realtor NICK YUNGER is the agent for leasing, and we believe there are openings for a couple of more stores. The new center serves a great need for people in the upper Bucks area.

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A couple of birthdays we should note—NANCY OTT and BEVERLY ANN DAVENPORT. Congratulations, gals!

\* \* \*

GEORGE FRANKENFIELD has purchased the other half of the business from partner LLOYD MILL, and is now sole owner of FRANKENFIELD & MILL Buick in the County Seat. George tells us there will be no changes in the operation.

\* \* \*

Groundbreaking for a new dormitory was held recently at Delaware Valley College. The new dorm will provide housing for 112 students.

\* \* \*

We recently ventured down to the Lower End of Bucks County for a delightful evening at The PENNSBURY INN. The food is excellent, and singer-pianist JOHNNY BURKE entertains in the main dining room during the dinner hour. Mr. Burke's music made the already pleasant evening a real treat.

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The Lenape Valley Music Fair will present "Carousel" on November 15, 16, 22 & 23 at The Keith Junior High School in Horsham. This popular local group always does a wonderful job, and we are eagerly looking forward to seeing this delightful show. Tickets are available at the door, from any member, or by writing Frank Wurtz, 432 Heston Ave., Norristown, Pa. Tickets at \$1.75 and \$2.50.

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Recently your editor received a dinner invitation from Panorama circulation man RAY COX and his charming wife TERRY. We were told it was to be a very special "Panorama Dinner". It turned out to be the recipe HARRIET FOX had featured in last month's issue. Harriet sure knows her recipes, as the meal was delicious. (Terry is a darn good cook, too!) Get last month's issue out and try the recipe. If you've lost the issue, maybe you can get Terry to invite you to dinner as we did!

Central Bucks Realtor EARLE K. BERGEY has moved his office into his own building at 352 N. Main Street, Doylestown. This will also be headquarters for Eagle Homes Corporation.

Perkasie contractor RICHARD SINE, back from a business trip to the West Coast, tells us he took a screen test for the movies while he was there. Maybe we'll be seeing him soon. Dick is associated with The Tommy Tattler booking office in Philadelphia, and manages many of the top dance combos in the east.

Belated wedding congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. BILL LOUX. Bill, a former resident of town, and his lovely wife, are now residing in Philadelphia.

WATCH OUT for Ottsville carpenter and builder JOE MISCOVSKY. He not only is one of the best carpenters around, he is also the best ticket and raffle book seller in the county. Any church or organization that has tickets to sell should have about five such people and they would sell out every time. (Joe also is quite a "twister", we understand!)

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swiftly  
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# RAMBLING WITH RUSS

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**WHO ARE THEY?** Someone said, *The Lippincott Family of Doylestown. This picture was taken in 1908, the year Menlo Park (Perkasie) opened its new auditorium with skating rink and six bowling alleys, tables and a fountain. Today the auditorium is the center of controversy as to whether or not it should be razed for safety purposes or rebuilt. (Photo Courtesy of Russ Thomas)*

THE 68th ANNUAL: Nearly a thousand people packed the old Bucks County Courthouse at the 1923 convention of the Bucks County School Directors presided over by Rev. G.W. Spotts, of Telford, who urged the immediate publication of a text book on the history of Bucks county and emphasized the need for a peace program starting in the first grade and continuing through school. Rev. Spotts said: "People worship the Babe Ruths and Jack Dempseys. I do not wish to ridicule such characters for they are heroes in a sense of the word, but it is the fickle American mind. It would be well if we would worship our school teachers who are real heroes."

DOYLESTOWN Locals 40 years ago this month: Dr. Frank B. Swartzlander tested the borough water that had been smelling bad and gave it the purity okay in spite of "its stink once in awhile" . . . Seven U. S. Federal Agents were arraigned before Justice of Peace Robert G. Hendricks and charged with transporting liquor from an Eddington distillery in traveling bags to their homes, presumably for sale, although they testified it was for "testing purposes"! All were held for court. They were defended by State Senator Clarence I. Buckman and his brother, J. Hibbs Buckman. The prosecution was in charge of District Attorney Hiram H. Keller.

Dr. Hannah R. Leattor, wife of Dr. William J. Leattor, Doylestown, was elected to the office of Director of Poor in Bucks county, together with Aaron Tomlinson, of Langhorne . . . The Strand Theatre (Doylestown) offered for 25 cents admission for adults and 15 cents for children under 12, the feature picture, "Enemies of Women" starring Lionel Barrymore and Alma Rubens . . . Mrs. John W. Cooper entertained at bridge at her Pineville home, with favors going to Mrs. Frank W. Ely, Mrs. Oscar O. Bean, Mrs. Wesley Bunting, Mrs. A. Russell Thomas, Mrs. Frank D. Good, Mrs. Robert G. Hendricks, Mrs. C. Louis Siegler and Mrs. Samuel R. Pearce . . . Doylestown Fire Company housed its new Ahrens Fox Combination pumper, chemical, hose wagon costing \$13,400, with speeches by Judge William C. Ryan, Burgess Calvin S. Boyer and Fire Chief Daniel G. Fretz.





**GROUND-BREAKING:** Doylestown Borough's new Bell Telephone Company central office building is now under construction. Taking part in the ground-breaking last month were members of the Borough Council and other organizations. The first spade of earth was tossed by Doylestown Mayor C. Eldon Clemens (with shovel) standing next to Harry Bigley, manager of the Doylestown Bell district.

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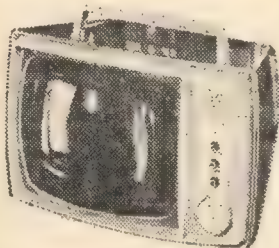
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Downstairs, in an area renovated by donations from friends of the Society, the Mercer Museum's imposing collection of firefighting gear, vehicles and equipment will be presented as a comprehensive exhibit for the first time.

In 1919 the once powerful Volunteer Firemen's Association of Philadelphia had dwindled from thirty-five hundred members to twenty-five and these, not being able to maintain their priceless collection amassed through the years, bequeathed it to the Bucks County Historical Society. Such an enormous collection had not been anticipated by Dr. Mercer when he built the museum and the new acquisitions were, of necessity, placed wherever room could be found.

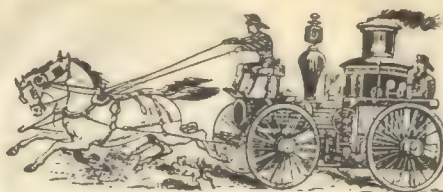
This collection, to which has been added early equipment from Doylestown, Quakertown and New Hope, is now well qualified to commemorate the valor, sacrifice and devotion to duty of the nation's volunteer firefighters.

Two directors of the Society, George M. Hart, Vice-President of the Bucks County Volunteer Firemen's Association, and John A. Diemand, Chairman of the Board of the Insurance Company of North America, have followed the development of the new exhibit with keen interest. John Diemand has been instrumental in the restoration of the rare early fire art.

Franklin C. Wood, President of the Society said, "The Society is fortunate to have on its board of directors two such expert and interested fire buffs, knowing as they do the history of early volunteer fire companies."

The Society's library has on display its fire company record books, manuscripts and prints which provide a wealth of material to document the exhibit.

The exhibit is open to the public as an added attraction to visitors. There is an admission charge of 75¢ for adults, 25¢ for children. Members and guests are admitted free.



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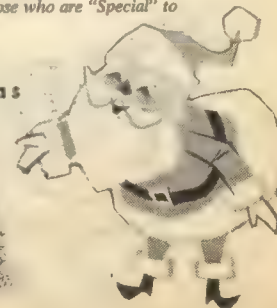
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## OUR COVER

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This month's cover reflects the joy a child receives when the present is a small puppy. If you're planning a puppy or any animal for a gift this year, be sure you have the proper food on hand and teach the youngster proper training methods for it. (Courtesy Purina Co.)



SEASONS GREETINGS

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Each day some new force is ready to replace our names with a number, and frankly, we fight it every chance we get—but, unfortunately to no avail. The “numbers forces” are too great to overcome.

But now they've really gone and done it, and it's high time we stop all this foolishness. They have destroyed a little part of all of us. They have given Santa Claus a “Zip Code Number”!

No longer will kids anxiously await Christmas to see Santa. No! They will wait on Christmas eve for “jolly old 99701” to arrive and fill their stockings. (That's Santa's Zip Code number.) We haven't heard if all the reindeer have different numbers, or whether they are also 99701.

So kiddies, as you prepare your Christmas “want-list” to mail to Santa Cl - - er, “Jolly old 99701”, be sure you spell his name right. Repeat after me — 9 . . . 9 . . . 7 . . . 0 . . . 1. Got it!

Next year, we understand, The Easter Bunny gets the axe. He'll be 99702!

### “E-Day — A Day of Celebration”

One of the brightest spots in the otherwise rather dull Bucks County election last month was the announcement made by GOP County Chairman Paul Beckert. Beckert stated he would retire on June 23, which he termed “E-Day”. He said the “E” stood for end, but many took it as “Elation Day” for Republicans, “Ejection Day for Beckert” and the like.

Mr. Beckert has had a rather stormy political career, rising to “fame and fortune” on the coat tails of Edward B. Boyer, then publicly “dis-owning” Mr. Boyer when he (Beckert) reached the top. Mr. Beckert made a bid for the judgeship, but the Bucks County Bar Association, the men who know him best (his fellow lawyers) “shot him down.”

Speaking of “E-Day” Beckert stated, “That's the end. I can't wait for it.” He's not the only one.

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## An Editor Reminisces



by C. Norman Detweiler

Bucks Co.  Chuckles

Newspaper Chuckles, or "English as She is Spoke."

In response to requests from a number of Panorama readers, I have again dug into my collection of humorous items sent in to my newspaper office by well meaning country correspondents. Without changing the wording or the spelling, (only the names to protect the innocent), I present another edition of "Upper Bucks Chuckles", "with malice toward none", but laughter for all:

The neighborhood around here was shocked at the death of Mrs. Brown leaving four children as she was only 36 years old and a quiet neighbor. We regret her going home so soon as it was said she died hard and didn't want to go yet.

Bill Jones killed the other day two snakes. They were humdingers and measured two inches in diameter around.

Harry Higher was running his car on the road when he thought he saw a rail across the road broke from the fence. As he neared it, lo and behold, it had life and moved to get out of the way. It was a snake 11 feet long, fat in body and lead color. Now who knows the name of that kind of snake? It was a whopper, not the story but the snake.

Mrs. Frank Harrison killed a 2 foot green snake which had just caught a toad.

Rabbits are very bad in the gardens now. They just cleaned out Mrs. Jones patch almost.

These early Halloween jokers are something awful. Someone carried the other night the sine away from the corner below the village that showed the way to the church. Whoever done it must have

nerve as it is now up at the school. They had oughta put it back.

The Borough is fixing the streets to help the unemployed. On account of the Supervisor being sick there is a big hole in Broad Street where lights are being kept.

Elmer Bothwell is having his interior painted and decorated.

The small poney of Frank Grofe ran against and hurt one eye so it might go blind yet.

A very bad accident happened Monday night along the road going to Milford. The road was all blood and teeth were found so two ambulances were called.

Mrs. Annie Axford fell down the stairs from the second floor but did not hurt herself so much, only a few bruises at the home of her son.

Edward Effert entertained a lot of visitors on Sunday and killed two black reptiles. David Moses also caught a black snake alive which he is willing to show it.

Mrs. Postum had one of her cows killed on account of old age and nails in her stomach.

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# THIS IS BUCKS COUNTY



*" . . . and most of all Santa, I'd like a . . . " A little boy's dreams seem to come true as he tells Santa what he would like for Christmas. This scene is a familiar one all over Bucks County (and the rest of the country too) and will be 'til December 25th.*



*"'Aye', said the donkey, all shaggy and brown, 'I carried her safely up hill and down. I carried her safely to Bethlehem town.'"*



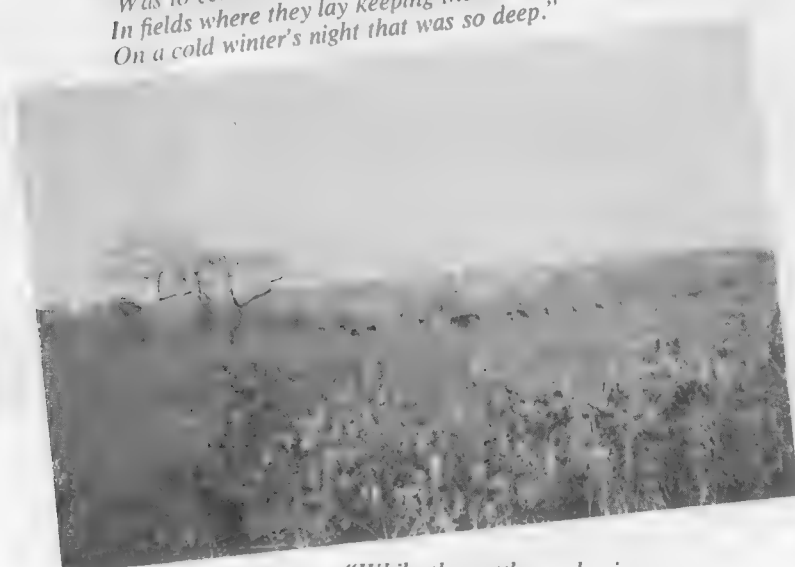
Christmas is a Holy Time . . . which sometimes we forget. Although, how can we forget, with things around us every day to remind us of why we celebrate December 25th. Regular Panorama contributor Adi-Kent Jeffrey was out doing research on an article for Panorama and several scenes she passed made her think of The Christmas Story as told in The Bible. She got her camera out and snapped the first two photos. Then, she began to look for other scenes here in Bucks County that might illustrate The Christmas Story, and drove all over the County snapping the others that appear on this page.

Christmas is a time for renewing Faith, but perhaps if we thought about it more often, we too will see scenes everywhere that help us to remember, everyday.

Merry Christmas!



*"The First Noel, The Angels did say  
Was to certain poor shepards in fields as they lay;  
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep  
On a cold winter's night that was so deep."*



*"While the cattle are lowing  
Little Jesus lies asleep, . . . .  
From the fields come one and all  
To the tiny cradle stall."*



*"Whence comes this rush of wings afar,  
Following straight the Noel star? Birds  
from the woods in wondrous flight,  
Bethlehem seek this Holy Night"*





*"Tell us, ye birds, why come ye here,  
Into this stable, poor and drear?"  
"Hast'ning we seek the new-born King,  
And all our sweetest music bring."*



*"Angles we have heard on high,  
Sweetly singing o'er the plains;  
And the mountains in reply,  
Echoing their joyous strains."*



*"Holy, Holy, Holy! All the Saints adore thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea."*



*"Whosoever drinketh of this water shall  
thirst again; But whosoever drinketh of  
the water that I shall give him, shall  
never thirst again." John 4:13-14*



# Gift Of Courage

by  
**Marjorie E. Alliger**

The decision had been made and this was the night. The date was December 25, 1776.

Washington's boots crunched in the snow as he neared the headquarters of General Lord Stirling, in the Thompson-Neely House.

The Thompsons and their daughter and her husband, William Neely, were living there at the time of the Revolution, but had moved out of their home temporarily during the month of December so that it could be used by Washington's staff.

The General pushed open the solid wooden door and strode into the low ceiling'd room. His officers rose to greet him and Lt. James Monroe stepped forward to take his Commander's great cloak. (This young man later became the fifth President of the United States.)

At 44 years of age, General Washington, taller than average and weighing more than 200 pounds, presented a striking figure as he trod the wide boards and entered the main room of the farmhouse.

The Thompson-Neely House started as a one room stone cabin built by John Pidcock in 1702. Two stories were erected

on the west end in 1757, and not long afterward, a second floor was added above the original room.

In the first floor bedroom, used as a hospital room, young Captain James Moore of the New York artillery lay on a pallet stretched on the floor, gravely ill of "camp fever". He died that same night, while his comrades were marching to McKonkey's Ferry, and lies buried, nearby, with 21 unknown soldiers of the Continental Army. A small, plain headstone marks his grave.

The General stood warming himself before the wide stone hearth. A young soldier stirred the crackling logs, causing a shower of sparks. The flames leaped higher making shadows flicker on the open beams of the ceiling, while the pungent fragrance of burning cedar logs drifted through the room. A wet snow had begun to fall earlier. Now, in a sudden gust of wind, sleet hit the window panes like a handful of pebbles.

Washington pulled up a chair to the massive stretcher table with the great carved legs. His staff gathered close as he spread out the worn maps and reviewed once more the well-laid

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# Strings With A Soul

by

Chris Carr

David Rubinoff, world renowned violinist, paused during a concert performance in downtown Philadelphia last fall. He had just completed the first half of his performance playing his famous Stradivarius.

Laying aside the classic instrument which is insured for \$100,000, he picked up another violin and turned to the audience. "I am going to finish my concert," he said, "with an instrument that was made right here in Philadelphia by a man whom I consider to be one of the top violinmakers in the nation. His name is Albert C. Reitz. I think you'll be surprised with what you hear."

A long time resident of Bucks County, Albert Reitz is one of the few remaining masters of an apparently dying art. The masters of the 17th and 18th century are legends in the violin-making field: Amati, Stradivari, Guarnieri.

"These men were the finest violinmakers of their time," Reitz says, "and with Stradivarius, for example, many fine remnants of his work remain today. Still, craftsmen have been perfecting their skills for two centuries. It's inconceiv-

able to me that a good experienced man couldn't produce as good a violin as they did."

"Of course, there are fewer violinmakers today, but great violins are being made. Unfortunately, however, these don't have the benefit of the ancient legends."

Albert Reitz began his career as a wood patternmaker, but was a professional musician by avocation. "In the 20's," he explains, "a professional musician was almost like a television personality today. When people wanted relaxation, they gathered around whoever could play an instrument. They had live music at parties, wedding receptions, christenings, hay rides and practically everywhere that people gathered."

Starting with the violin and saxophone, Reitz later turned to the guitar and banjo for more versatile performing. At one of his many playing engagements, young Albert recognized an old friend, a violinist, in the group. Many times after that, the two musicians met and performed in the same group.

One day the violinist took Reitz with him to visit his violinmaker. It was the custom for musicians to gather in the after-



The fine art of violin making demands the work of a craftsman. Here Albert Reitz goes about the painstaking work of making a violin.

noon at the shops they patronized, to talk music, compare experiences and try out new instruments. Reitz was fascinated by the atmosphere around him, but more than that, he was almost hypnotized by the skill of the violinmaker and the results of his work.

"It really got under my skin," he says today. "For some reason I had to find out how and why that man got the results he did. I had to know what made a violin work and how

one could be so very different from another that was outwardly very similar."

"So I went to work. I talked to every violinist and violinmaker I could find. I read books, pamphlets and periodicals from every source I could find. I examined every violin I could get my hands on, trying to see how they differed and how they were similar."

"But you don't learn to make violins by talking about it or

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It takes a lot of materials and special woods to get the right tone for a violin. This scene shows Albert Reitz's workshop and some of his tools.



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### SOMETHING NEW

Panorama is proud to present in this issue, a 1964 Bucks County PANORAMA Calendar. We have selected six beautiful scenes of Bucks County and present them in this issue.

Next month in Panorama, we will present several new features we are sure you will enjoy — three new and interesting features that are designed for your reading pleasure. Also next month, the long awaited contest, with many exciting prizes. We have been adding prizes each day which so far include radios, records, hams, note paper, subscriptions and many other items. The contest will require a little figuring, but we think you'll get a 'kick' out of it. Look for the January 1964 Panorama, out just before Christmas.

### MENTALLY RETARDED DEVELOP SKILLS

Mr. William B. Epling of the Prescolite Corporation in Warrington, Pennsylvania has declared that it is a good business procedure to accept the mentally retarded and help them develop skills within their own limitations so that they may realize their full work potential. Prescolite has recently provided the Sheltered Workshop of the Bucks County Association for Retarded Children with contracts which help the mentally retarded adults develop skills.

Mr. Epling declared that, "From a business, as well as a humanitarian point of view, it is great news that the mentally retarded are no longer a lost

group in our society, totally dependent on others for their support.

Giant strides have been made in recent years toward helping mentally handicapped individuals develop skills within their own limitations so that they may realize their full work potential. It is time for the American public - including those of us engaged in business and industry - to discard the old false legends about the retarded and to accept them as human beings who, despite their handicap, can learn to be independent, self-supporting citizens.

How many of the retarded children in our community become self-reliant adults depends, in large measure, on how generously we provide for them the kinds of services they need for such development. We can begin by giving our full support to the effective work of the Bucks County Association for Retarded Children. Our acceptance and understanding today of the needs and capacities of the 3 percent of our population who are mentally retarded can, result, in later years, in enormous savings in community and tax funds. This is, indeed, good business procedure."



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# The Panorama 1964 Calendar



## JANUARY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
LAST QUARTER 6TH	NEW MOON 14TH	FIRST QUARTER 22ND	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	FULL MOON 28TH

## FEBRUARY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
LAST QUARTER 5TH	NEW MOON 13TH	FIRST QUARTER 20TH	FULL MOON 27TH			1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
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## MARCH

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	LAST QUARTER 6TH	NEW MOON 14TH	FIRST QUARTER 20TH	FULL MOON 28TH

## APRIL

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
LAST QUARTER 5TH	NEW MOON 12TH	FIRST QUARTER 19TH	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	FULL MOON 26TH	





## MAY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
LAST QUARTER 4TH	NEW MOON 11TH	FIRST QUARTER 18TH	FULL MOON 26TH		1	2
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## JUNE

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21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	LAST QUARTER 30TH	NEW MOON 10TH	FIRST QUARTER 16TH	FULL MOON 23TH



## JULY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
LAST QUARTER 2ND	NEW MOON 9TH	FIRST QUARTER 16TH	1	2	3	4
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	FULL MOON 24TH

## AUGUST

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
LAST QUARTER 1ST & 30TH	NEW MOON 7TH	FIRST QUARTER 15TH	FULL MOON 23RD			1
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## SEPTEMBER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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27	28	29	30		FULL MOON 21ST	LAST QUARTER 28TH

## OCTOBER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
NEW MOON 5TH	FIRST QUARTER 13TH	FULL MOON 21ST	LAST QUARTER 27TH	1	2	3
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## NOVEMBER

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## DECEMBER

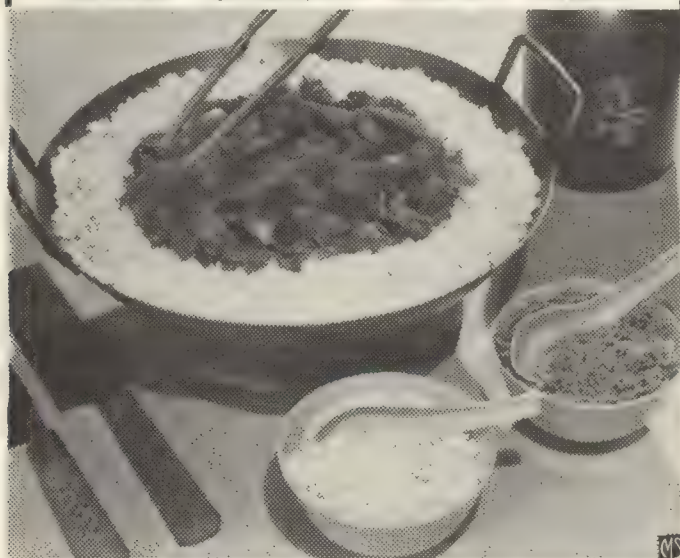
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# PLAIN and FANCY COOKING

Harriet Fox, Woman's Page Editor

## MAKE CHINESE PEPPER STEAK WITH ONION SOUP MIX



Several Chinese dishes have always enjoyed great popularity in this country. More recently, the latest favorite to find its way into American kitchens is Chinese Pepper Steak. This is steak cut into strips and cooked in a skillet with green peppers.

Here is a recipe adapted with American ingenuity for easy preparation. It calls for a package of handy onion soup mix. The delicious flavor of the golden toasted onions and the beef stock in the soup mix enhances the vigorous flavors found in the green peppers, garlic and soy sauce called for in the recipe. Inexpensive flank steak is used as the cut of meat.

Chinese pepper steak is traditionally served with fluffy white rice. And don't forget the authentic touch of hot tea to go with the dessert course of almond cookies.

### CHINESE PEPPER STEAK

- 1 package onion soup mix
- 1-½ cups boiling water
- 4 tablespoons oil
- 1 pound green peppers, cut in eighths
- 1 pound flank steak, sliced thin crosswise
- 1 clove garlic, crushed
- 1 tablespoon soy sauce
- 1 tablespoon sherry
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch
- 3 tablespoons cold water
- Hot Cooked Rice

Combine onion soup mix and boiling water; let stand until ready to use. Heat 2 tablespoons oil in a skillet and saute green peppers one minute; remove. Add remaining oil and saute garlic one minute; remove. Stir in meat and brown quickly over high heat, turning while browning. Pour onion soup mixture, soy sauce and sherry over meat; stir in green peppers. Thicken with cornstarch mixed with cold water. Serve over hot cooked rice. Makes 4 servings.

The Hunter Grist Mill, south of McConnellsburg, Pennsylvania, is a picturesque pioneer mill that was built in 1812 by William Hunter and is still in continuous use. It is operated by water power, using a large wooden waterwheel until 1914 when the present steel wheel was in stalled.

"HUFFNAGLE" was the name of a small village and one time station near New Hope.

### Local College

Delaware Valley College of Science and Agriculture between Doylestown and New Britain is the only accredited college in Bucks County. Until recently called The "National Farm School," it was established in 1896.

## Model Shows Drake Oil Well Area Circa 1866

A new attraction has been added at the site of the world's first drilled oil well at Titusville, Pennsylvania.

A three-dimensional, electronic sound and action model of a slice of northwestern Pennsylvania shows the oil birth region as it was in 1866, the Pennsylvania Department of Commerce reports.

It has been installed in the museum at Drake Well Memorial Park, one of Pennsylvania's popular tourist attractions.

The sound track tells in some six minutes the story of the early days in the oil industry. Keyed blinking lights point out places and scenes. A gift of Oil Centennial Inc., the model cost somewhat over \$22,000.

The model covers the area bounded by Titusville, Franklin, Oil City and Tionesta. Titusville, home of the park, is about 45 miles south of Erie. The area sprouted many wild and prancing communities when oil was discovered here. Perhaps the most famous was Pithole City, once a flourishing beehive of 15,000 persons.

## County Names

The town of Revere was named in honor of the Revolutionary war hero, Paul Revere, when it became a post office in 1894.

The town of Ottsville was known at one time as Red Hill.

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## Strings

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reading about it. So I made violins. As soon as I got one done, I would take it apart and see if just the slightest modification would improve it. Then I'd keep modifying until I was satisfied."

Reitz made violin after violin, until finally he was reasonably satisfied with the skill, form and technique he had developed. But violinmaking would hardly support a married man with a rapidly growing family, so he continued at his patternmaking.

Here, however, Reitz was acquiring a skill that would be of great value to him later on. He was learning to use tools to the limits of their capacity. He worked constantly with wood, shaping and modeling it, learning its characteristics and its limitations, making judgments about it. This was experience that would have taken years of apprenticeship and economic struggle to obtain.

About 15 years ago, Albert Reitz decided to make the break. He began making violins as a full time job. Since a violinmaker can only make a maximum of about five instruments a year, he must necessarily supplement his income with repair work and the sale of supplies.

In 1951 Reitz bought some property in what is now Levittown. Eight years later, after the development of Levittown, he remodeled a house and set up a shop on his property near the Five Corners. More recently he has established a center near the Curtis Institute in Center City.

Albert Reitz is a tall thin man with a shock of dark hair streaked with grey. He has a

sort of nervous vitality which is both distracting and contagious. Where violins and violinmaking are concerned, he is confident, opinionated and impressive.

"I always use spruce for the top of the instrument and maple for the bottom and sides," he says. "Spruce is an ideal wood as far as I am concerned. It has resonance, is soft, but is also extremely strong and light. It must be aged, however, to completely eliminate all moisture. Some of it is 150 years old."

"Some pieces of spruce are stronger than others and each piece of wood produces a slightly different effect. One of my biggest investment is in wood. I have several thousand dollars worth of wood around, but out of this, I may get only one or two pieces that are really top quality."

"Then, too, my standards have changed. As I bought this wood over the years, I thought that a great deal of it was satisfactory and it was for the work I did then. Now I'm looking for exactly the right piece of wood to make the finest concert violin I can manage. When you can only make five a year, you can't afford to make too many mistakes."

There are several crucial factors in successful violinmaking. One is the quality of the wood. Another is the skill of the maker in judging the make-up of the wood. This includes how easily the wood can be cut, the strength and uniformity of the wood and the beauty of the grain.

Where the lines of the grain are close, the wood is stronger. This strength determines the thickness of the top of the instrument. When the wood is weak, the instrument will be left thicker than where it is

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# Rambling with Russ

by

A. Russell Thomas

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**MOSTLY PERSONAL:** All new articles are on sale on the Christmas table that you will find in the new headquarters of Welcome House Thrift Shop's permanent location at No. 9 West Court Street, Doylestown . . . The results of the official count of the 1963 general election shows definitely that Bucks County is still solidly in the Republican column . . . This department extends congratulations to Bucks County District Attorney Paul R. Beckert, captain of the GOP Ship, who has the okay of the Executive Committee of the Republican Party in Bucks for a Common Pleas Court judgeship . . . Governor Scranton now has at least four possible judge candidates to pick from, counting three others recommended last August by the Bucks County Bar Association, with Doylestown Attorney Donald W. VanArtsdalen as first choice . . . Our sincere sympathy to the family of the late Linford Jones of Bristol, who passed away in November . . . Chief Jones as a policeman and as a deputy sheriff was a most efficient and loyal public servant . . . Don't forget the date of the 129th annual dinner-meeting of the Union Horse Company of Doylestown and Vicinity for the Apprehension of Horse Thieves and Other Villains (Saturday, February 8, 1964), at the American Legion Home in Doylestown at High Noon . . . Thousands of more dollars are being spent on the new \$7-5 Bucks county courthouse to make it safer against atomic attack, including a brick and concrete-lined jury lounge and a 10,000-gallon auxiliary oil tank for an emergency supply . . . The untimely passing of Jenks Watson, Doylestown Dodge representative for many years, was a shock to his many friends . . . I will always remember Jenks as one of the best presidents the Kiwanis Club of Doylestown ever had.

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**DECEMBER FACTS:** The birthstone is TURQUOISE; the meaning is PROSPERITY; the flower is NARCISSUS.

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**A WILD WESTERNER:** School Director George Mott and his wife of West Rockhill Township, were seated in their living room about 10 p.m. last September 11, watching a Wild West thriller on TV, when a stranger suddenly entered the room, armed with a rifle and a pearl-handled revolver in a holster attached to a cartridge belt.

The stranger pointed the rifle at Mott, a poultry farmer, and asked "Where are the horses?" The very much frightened Mott replied, "We haven't any horses, I'm a poultry farmer," and then advised the intruder that a neighbor had horses.

The unwanted visitor told Mott he wanted a horse to make a get-away, and would like to have a saddle too. Mott advised him to get out, go home and sleep it off. He was very much intoxicated, Mott told President Judge Edward G. Biester in Bucks county criminal court at the November session.

"I asked the young man to go home to his mother and dad and sleep it off," Mott testified.

In the meantime Mrs. Mott was able to vanish from the house unnoticed. She called State Police. Farmer Mott, in some persuasive manner was able to talk the visitor out of the house

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### STRINGS WITH A SOUL

By Chris Carr

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stronger. This variation, however, may amount to only a tiny fraction of an inch.

As a result of the minute measurements involved, the violinmaker must be meticulous, almost to a point of fanaticism, in his concentration on details. The violin is carved from a series of solid blocks of wood. Every square inch of the instrument is gone over with calipers to make sure that the desired dimensions are met. Small variations may change the entire makeup or "personality" of the instrument.

All work is done by hand so that a high degree of skill with forming tools is essential. More than this, however, Albert Reitz contends that the violinmaker must keep an open mind regarding his own techniques. He must be able to vary them slightly when necessary.

"Doing things strictly by the book," Mr. Reitz says, "does not always produce the best results. You have to perfect and vary techniques according to the wood, the future use of the instrument and many other factors. The concert violin, for example, needs a strong, refined, full solo voice. The orchestral violin usually requires a loud, piercing tone that will contrast with the other strings."

"Despite all these things, knowledge, skill and a meticulous concentration on details, you can never predict how an instrument will turn out. Sometimes you can do everything 'just right' and get a lemon. The next time, using the same techniques, you may create a masterpiece."

The moment when all the parts have been assembled and the instrument is strung for the first time, is one of great drama and tension. A bow is drawn

across the strings, and the sound that comes forth will be the true voice of the violin, its "personality." No amount of alteration can change it significantly. Rough spots can be ironed out, adjustments made, but for all intents and purposes, the soul of the instrument has been created.

The actual construction of the violin takes about three months. Then the "fine tuning" begins. The top may be taken off and a little wood removed from the under-side. The bass board may be whittled down; the sound post moved. The result will be a refinement of the voice. This refinement may require from ten months to two years or even longer of constant playing and adjustment.

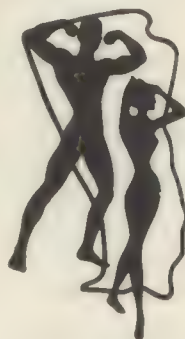
Good violinists will come into the shop and perhaps be asked to try the instrument. They will make comments and criticisms, and more adjustment will follow. Finally, the maker decides that he has done as much as he can. The instrument is varnished, polished and ready for sale.

To Albert Reitz, violinmaking is almost a compulsion. "I have to do it," he says. "It's not practical or reasonable, but somehow I just have to keep going."

Reitz recently completed creating a matched string quartet, one of the few of its kind in the world. A string quartet consists of two violins, a viola and a violincello. The instruments have been played by experts and rated as unusually fine.

The prize possession of Mr. Reitz, however, is a personal letter he received from Jascha Heifetz. Heifetz had heard of Reitz's work and asked him to send a violin for the master to try. Since no violin was available at the time, Mr. Reitz sent

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"Not from Jerusalem, but Bethlehem,

Cometh that which helpeth me."

Thus Bethlehem received its name. And the city has never forgotten that it was born in music. String quartets and symphonies were played here long before they were heard anywhere else in the American Colonies.

To this day, the Moravians on Christmas Eve combine the tradition of candlelight and music, a custom that began over 200 years ago. Our familiar carols are seldom heard. The Moravians sing their own, along with strains from Mozart and Handel.

Visitors to Bethlehem will see the huge star of Bethlehem atop South Mountain overlooking the city. Another eye-catching sight is the myriad of lights across the Hill-to-Hill Bridge, and the "putz" displays.

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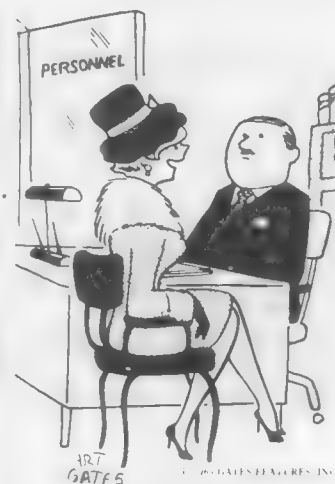


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a viola which he had made.

Heifetz replied that he had received the viola and had played it. He was so impressed that he asked to keep it to show to the famous violinist, William Primrose. Primrose, too, was impressed by both the skilled workmanship and the quality of the instrument.

The great violinist praised Mr. Reitz with these words: "I have examined the viola and found to my pleasant surprise that it is an instrument of extremely high quality and craftsmanship. I would appreciate it if you would send a violin for my examination when one is available."

To Albert Reitz, the praise of men like Heifetz, Rubinoff and others is pleasant gratification. The plaudits of the audience as Rubinoff finished his remarkable concert is satisfying. But the real reward comes when the right piece of wood is shaped the right way, and a rough, unfinished instrument produces a full, mello unforgettable song.

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# RAMBLING WITH RUSS

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as they walked toward a neighboring farm where there were horses.

Fortunately, Mott was able to convince his unwanted associate to sit down and rest and lay down his arms. The intruder was captured a short time later, hiding in the darkness of his garage at his home a short distance away, by a state trooper.

The armed youth had been to a family picnic with friends and relatives earlier in the day and had imbibed in too many brews, at least fifteen he told the court. He had also been in a fight with a relative at the picnic.

"I don't drink any more", the young man told Judge Biester.

Mott told the court that at no time did the young man threaten to shoot him. He just pointed the gun at him and wanted a horse.

Judge Biester deferred sentence until he receives a report from a psychiatrist, concerning the young man's condition. The 20-year-old youth is charged with nine different counts and has entered a plea of guilty. He doesn't remember a thing that happened after the fifteenth brew he had at the picnic. He is charged with armed robbery, but he didn't steal a thing. He just wanted a horse to make a get-away.

The youth told police and the court that he used the revolver for "quick draw practice" and the rifle for deer hunting.

Farmer Mott told a reporter that he don't care if he never saw another Western on TV.

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**CHRISTMAS SHOPPING:** If you are looking for toys for the youngsters, Santa's official Toy Revue contains such articles as the following, and I wonder if you know what they are: Flippy Fish, Musical Koo-Koo, Mr. Bug, Zoo-Zoo Blocks, Woofie The Puppy, Stock Car Robbie, Magic Puff Choo Choo, Dr. Kildare Medical Kit, Party Perc Set, Kazooka, Shoot 'Em Down' Soldier Set, Junior Keno, Fried Marbles, Flannel Board, Tootsie Toy Army Set, Mosette and Stax.

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**CHRISTMAS SEASON 30 Years Ago** in this vicinity: Doylestown was described as one of the healthiest places in the country, with not, one single case of a communicable disease reported in the borough over a seven-month period. . . . Six gunmen riding through Bucks county on the morning of December 10, with a stolen automobile, three pistols, a sawed-off shotgun and blackjacks were captured by Quakertown police. . . . A father of nine children was murdered in Bristol by a friend and neighbor, who then shot and killed himself following a quarrel over a \$5 relief check (John Prinzivalli, 63, shot Frank DeMarco, 42.) . . . . Doylestown High opened the basketball season with a 25-7 victory over Springfield High on the Doylestown Armory court (what a difference in scores these days when the tall guys get the assignments) . . . That 1933-34 Doylestown High team was composed of Attorney Bill Power, president of the Bucks County Bar Association; County Commissioner John Justus Bodley, "Woody" Klemp, Jones and J. Fretz . . . Submitting his annual report to Chief Burgess George S. Hotchkiss just 30 years ago, Doylestown Chief of Police James P. Welsh announced he and his two assistants, Scott Case and William Hendricks had made a total of 89 arrests in Doylestown, 25 for disorderly conduct, and one for stealing an automobile. . . Two well known Lincoln Highway taverns were raided on New Year's 20 years ago by a flying squadron of state troopers, surprising over 500 guests in the two places . . . Two halves of beer were confiscated in one tavern, and four halves in another. . . . The squadron was composed of 10 troopers from Reading in charge of corporal John R. Stewart of Morrisville sub-station.

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**SPORTS 40 Years Ago:** I well remember covering the football game between the Doylestown AC champs and the Holmesburg Blue Jackets on Worthington Field. We won, 12 to 8. "Doc" Thawley Hayman intercepted a forward pass and raced goalward assisted by runs by Captain Ullman and "Dutch" Groman. With the score deadlocked in the third period, "Chris" Russ Gulick, hero of many a previous football

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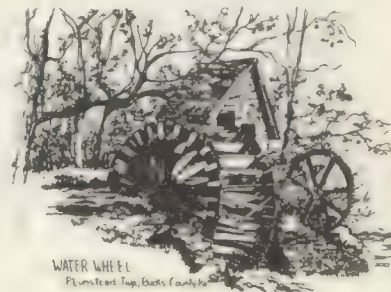
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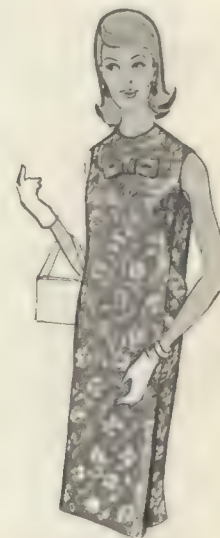
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## RAMBLING WITH RUSS



This old photo shows the Doylestown High School Basketball team of 1914.  
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game, stood watching on the sideline. He could stand it no longer, as he quickly donned a make-shift uniform that will never be forgotten for style, and entered the contest. First Russ grabbed a pass and raced goalward. Then he tossed three more resulting in a TD. Gulick's passes to Jack Gardy were sensational. Other players on this D-Town team were Blair A. Meyers, Houssell, Kerns, Stanton, B. Meyers, Ruos and Dinkelocher.

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**OTHER 1923 Briefs:** The largest moonshine whiskey still ever seized in Bucks county up until this time, was taken by State Police under the leadership of Trooper John E. Robbins. The still was located in the Old Bleam's Creamery on Bethlehem Road between Richlandtown and Passer. The still had a capacity of 200 gallons of very good moonshine every 12 hour shift . . . The Christmas Club funds in Bucks county in 1923 amounted to \$449,000 (this year they were closer \$1.5 million) . . . New Hope Justice of Peace Charlie Roberts died of a heart attack . . . Lloyd Keller started to build a new home near the village of Plumsteadville and Howard Barnes (now executive vice president of the Doylestown National Bank and Trust Co.) built a new driveway on his property at the corner of State and Broad streets.

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**KIWANIAN** Oren Arnold, of Phoenix, Arizona, claims that men who try to do something and fail are infinitely better than those who try to do nothing and succeed. . . . I often think of the many conventions and meetings that I have covered as a newsman when the air was filled with speeches, and vice versa. . . . The names of days come partially from Germanic and partially from Latin through Germanic. . . . The word "day", itself, comes from the Latin dies . . . Monday is the day of the Moon . . . Tuesday, is from Tiwe, the God of War, equivalent to Mars . . . Wednesday, after Wodan, King of the Gods . . . Thursday, for Thor, God of the Sky and Thunder . . . Friday, after Freya, the Goodness of Love . . . Saturday, comes directly from Latin, the God Saturn, and Sunday, after the Sun.

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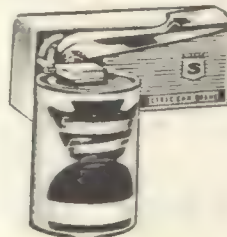


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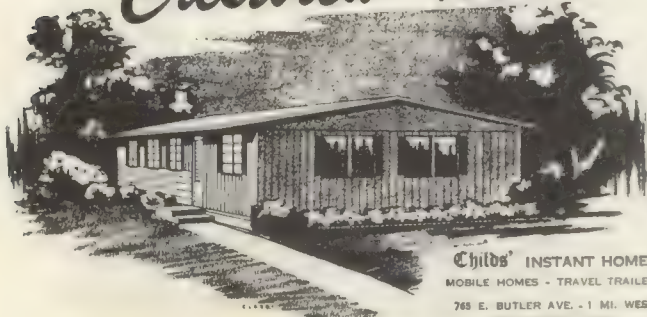
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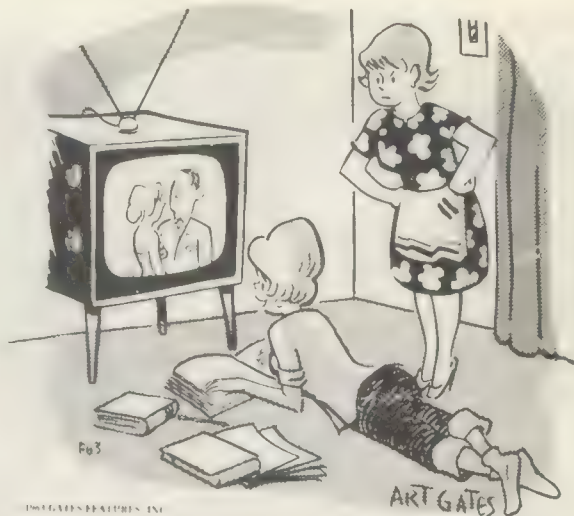
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## An Editor

### Reminices

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A number of tonsillitis patients were in town over the week end.

Mrs. Willie Wast while carrying water on Monday had the misfortune to trip and fall but lucky no bones were broke, only she realized a cold shower.

The recent rains we had the past week havent brought most of the wells up to the top yet. It should make down more.

Mrs. Hanks is still confined to the bed in a weak end condition.

John Fillips took his horse for a walk on Sunday and visited Frank Forbs a little.

Samuel Harsh lost two pigs by death and also entertained some visitors from Philly on Sunday.

Manfred Mannsfield was cut in the arm by a slicing machine which required three stitches.

A pleasant surprise party was held for Mamie Murphy who was very much taken and said "wasn't I dumb?" Anyhow a good time was had by all and refreshments were et.

(Thus endeth another edition, with plenty more in the barrel.)

### County Fare

"Fore!" yelled the golfer at the Doylestown Country club. But the woman on the course paid no attention.

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ethereal light,  
The sparkle of the stars in  
Heaven's bowl,  
The glow of lamplight on the  
snow's sheer white,  
The strains of songs that  
comforted my soul.

How lovely was the path  
my young feet trod,  
Through woods and fields  
and thickly rooted grove,  
The daylight hour's  
communion with my God,  
The evenings I was guarded  
by His love.

Now, while I'm lord of acres  
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My childhood days were  
only lent to me.  
— Josephine H. Long

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again be in operation at the  
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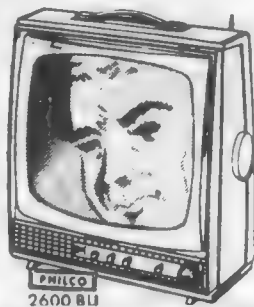
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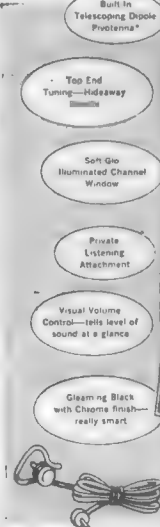
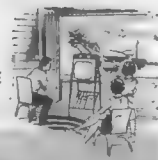


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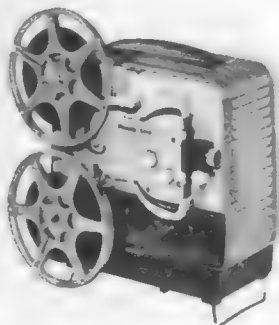
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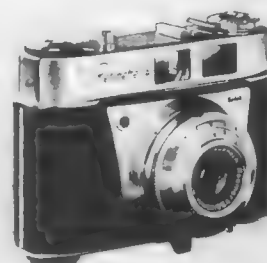
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## GIFT OF COURAGE

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plans for the Battle of Trenton. Down by the Ferry, Samuel McKonkey, a "salty old character", pushed through the gathering troops, excited by his important role in this moment of crisis.

There too, Col. Glover of Marblehead, Massachusetts, waited patiently with his men. He knew Washington was depending on his skill and that of his brave boatmen to guide the heavy boats through the ice-jammed Delaware. Their blue jackets were scant protection from the biting wind and their fingers were numb as they shouldered their rifles.

One of Washington's officers wrote in his diary: "6:00 P.M. The regiments have had their evening parade but instead of returning to their quarters are marching toward the ferry. It is fearfully cold and raw and a snowstorm is setting in. The wind is northeast and beats in the faces of the men. It will be a terrible night."

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BY THE WAY, next month, Panorama readers will get the long awaited contest. Our contest editor has worked out a fascinating contest with many nice prizes. You'll want to be sure and enter it, as it's easy, it's challenging, and a lot of fun! Look for it next month. Also, starting next issue, there will be several new regular features that will delight readers. Look for the big January 1964 issue on your newstands or in your mail box just before Christmas.

Chatting with banker ELMER CATES recently, we found that Elmer has gone into **Mink Farming**, (we imagine a sort of do-it-yourself-fur-coat for the Mrs.). He captured a live mink on his property recently, and is raising it as a pet—or coat). Any of you folks with experience raising mink, might stop in and offer Elmer some advice.

Speaking of unusual animals in the area, we heard of a monkey running loose over in Buckingham, and JOHN and SARAH CHITTICK of Danboro tell us that their dog treed a porcupine on their farm recently. All kinds of animal stories this year.

Remember the show "Absence of a Cello" that played here at the Bucks County Playhouse last summer? MIKE ELLIS has signed TOM EWELL to play the lead in the show when it opens on Broadway. The title has been changed to "Ask Me No Questions." When the show opened in New Hope, comedian FRED CLARK starred.

The zoning fight in Plumstead and Bedminster has really stirred up the folks in those two townships. We know of one man representing one faction who lost his job, because pressure was brought upon his employer. In a future issue, we'll give a full report of the situation.

Like to wish birthday congratulations to Doylestown's LIL LEHN who tells us everyone celebrates on her birthday—it's December 25! Also to JOHN BERGEY of Dublin who celebrates on the 24th.

Best wishes go out to our good friends Mr. & Mrs. SAMUEL HISTAND, JR. who recently moved into a new home.

DAVID and HOWARD ARNOLD, JR. have opened the Sinclair Gasoline station on Route 202 in New Britain.

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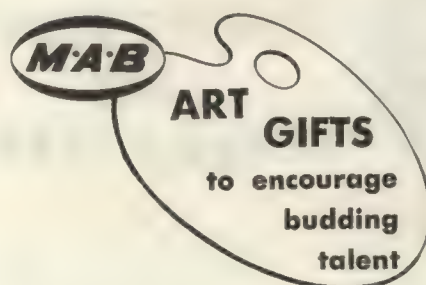
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Speaking of JON DUNN, did you know he's a licensed pilot, and has flown both small and large aircraft?

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LLOYD TRAUGER of "barber shop fame" phoned us just after the last issue came out with an interesting note. In the November issue we featured a story and pictures on the Fountainville Toll Gate ("Stop! Pay Toll"). Lloyd tells us he was born in that house and his father was toll gate operator before Martin Smith.

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The Mercer Museum of Doylestown was featured on a TV show on Channel 3 (WRCV-TV) recently. The program was called "Mercer's Concrete Extravaganza". Museum director LEONARD JOHNSON and ALAN LAPIDUS were interviewed on the half hour show, and many familiar scenes of the "castle" were shown.

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Birthday greetings to JEAN-  
NIE OTT (Mrs. TONY OTT)  
on December 16th.

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ROY ALLREAD of Line  
Lexington, well known TV  
weather forecaster, recently  
moved from Channel 3 to  
TV 6, WFIL-TV. Roy is seen  
doing the weather on week-  
ends at 11:15, and is fea-  
tured on Channel 6 in the  
daytimes during the week.  
(His weather forecasting is  
not too bad, as he hits it  
right — most of the time!)

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We were rather aghast re-  
cently while reading the  
English magazine Punch.  
Way in the back of the mag-  
azine, among the classified  
ads, we ran across one that  
read — "WOMEN DRIVERS  
— join your own association  
now. Write for details to the  
organizing Secretary. Wom-  
en Drivers Association, Lon-  
don, W.1." Ye Gods, man,  
now they are organizing. We  
men won't stand a chance!

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TEDDY HEYBACK, former  
owner of The Doylestown  
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in the County Seat, is now in  
business with his father as  
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## Around Town

Chatted with old friend ALFRED SINKS recently. Al was editor of the now defunk Bucks County Travelers for many years, and your editor had the pleasure of working with him at that time. Al is writing not one, but two books now, and will soon be moving to New York. Al brought news about another Bucks Countian, ALAN MILLER, former publisher of the Bucks County Traveler. Alan has opened a book-binding shop in New York City, where he makes leather covers for books. He has a rather large staff of craftsmen, and was quite thrilled, as President JOHN F. KENNEDY sent him several dozen personal books to bind. Alan, many of you will remember, operated The Leather Shop in New Hope before taking on the chores of publishing.

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Two Bucks Countians recently returned from trips to Europe. JOHN GONZALES of The Buck Hotel in Feasterville, and Rev. WM. C. ROEGER of Chalfont. Rev. Roeger visited Russia on his trip.

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JAMES HOUSEMAN, organist and Choir-Director of The Point Pleasant Baptist Church will present two organ recitals at the church in December. Mr. GINI DANTE, tenor, will assist on the first recital on December 1, and Mr. DOUGLAS MACULEY, bass, will assist on the second recital on December 15. Both recitals will be held at 4 P.M.

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H. H. EDDOWS of The Loud Speaker, Ivyland, reports the following: "I don't know, but I'm almost sure that the pretzel was the first to do the twist."

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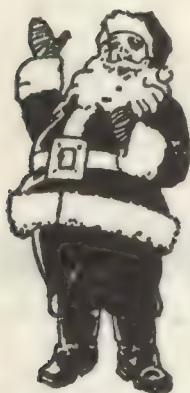
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"DOC" MILT HALIN has "ended an era" (as he phrases it) by the removal of the soda fountain at his State Street Drug Store. Many have protested, but "Doc" says gotta make way for progress!



Speaking of "Progress", another beautiful old building in the County Seat was demolished last month. The old brick Lutheran Church on North Main Street was leveled by cranes. The church recently built a new edifice across the street, and the old building was torn down to make room for parking.

Plumsteadville's RICHARD SCHUMACHER has reopened the Plumsteadville Garage, specializing in major and minor auto repairs. Dick has spent many months doing extensive remodeling ("still have more to do", he tells us), and is rarin' to go. His dad operated a Kaiser-Frazier agency at the same location some years ago. Dick worked for PAUL B. MOYER & Sons of Doylestown before and after his tour of duty with The US Air Force. Best of luck.

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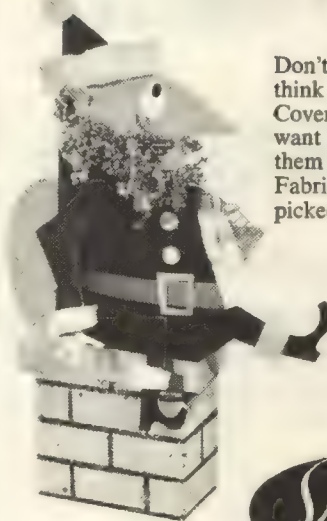
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## Around Town

This is one of those stories that you read about or see in the movies, but it actually happened to Doylestown's RICH DUVAL. Rich, a member of the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, and who has recently returned from serving a tour of duty, received "greetings" from his draft board, requesting him to join in the festivities that the U.S. Army has to offer. Rich, who works for Pennsbury Paint Co., New Britain, (after a rather nervous time) got the matter straightened out, and he's staying with the Marine Reserve.

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The Doylestown Inn has been brightened up by extensive painting inside the old hotel. WILMA KUMMER plays music for listening and dancing every Friday and Saturday evening in the famous "Jug in the Wall".

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"Why doesn't he ever sneak off from practice like other kids?"

\* \* \*

Bucks County actor GORDON PHILLIPS is currently featured in the off-Broadway play "The Collection", has been signed to appear in JUNE HAVOC's show "Marathon 33", starring JULIE HARRIS.

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torical - Tourist Commission,  
Bucks County residents and  
tourists have seen more histori-  
cal site markers.

The first sign was dedicated  
in June 1963, and the Com-  
mission has since installed a  
total of forty. Some thirty-six  
more are scheduled to be  
erected.

These historical markers are  
scattered throughout the coun-  
ty, and can be found on main  
roads, side roads, and borough  
streets, in locations which  
enable the motorist or stroller  
to find historical and recrea-  
tional sites.

Shaped in the outline of  
covered bridges, the signs are  
a colorful red, white, and blue,  
with medallions of William  
Penn and George Washington.

An innovation in the pro-  
gram has been the use of a  
larger sign for the four-lane  
highways.

Sites which are being identi-  
fied with the markers, and a  
panorama of other historical  
and recreational attractions in  
Bucks County are conveniently  
mapped out in the Historical-  
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chure, "Highways of History."  
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stores in Bucks and surround-  
ing counties.

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THOUGHTS ON AGRI-  
CULTURE — "I cannot con-  
ceive of a more absurd and  
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tion" — Senator Barry Gold-  
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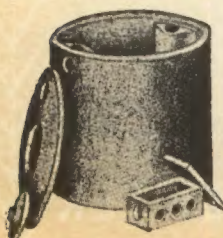
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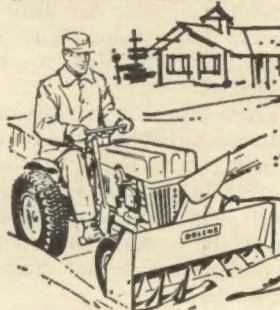
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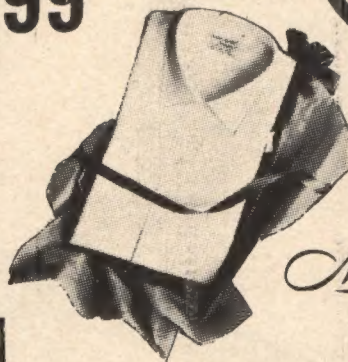
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